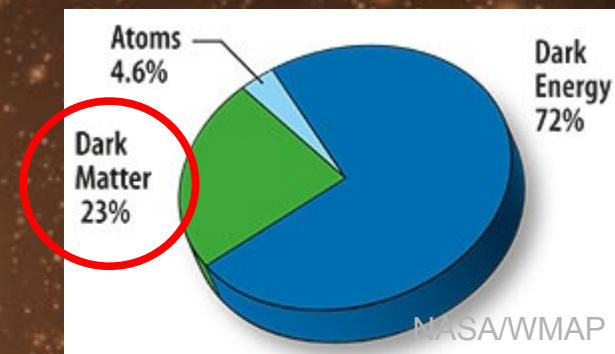


Direct Searches for WIMP Dark Matter

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80 kpc

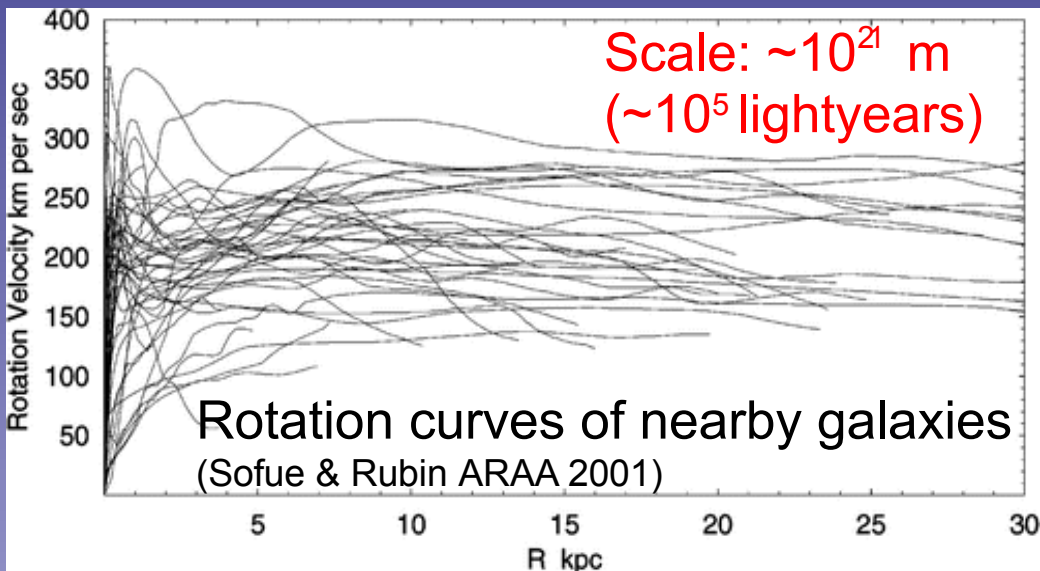
Evidence for Dark Matter in Galaxies and Galaxy Clusters



Spiral Galaxies

Rotation curves remain flat far beyond the edge of the visible disk.

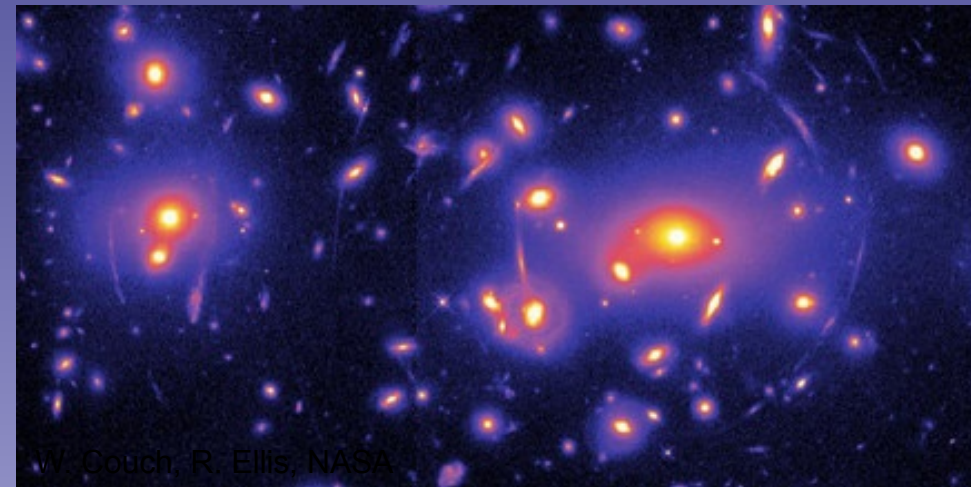
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} v(R) = \sqrt{GM(R)/R} \\ v(R) \approx \text{const} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M(R) \propto R \\ \rho(R) \propto R^{-2} \end{array} \right.$$



Galaxy Clusters

Scale: ~10²² m
(~10⁶ lightyr)

- Orbital velocities of galaxies > escape velocity (Zwicky's discovery of DM 1933)
- X-ray gas: pressure too great for visible mass.
- Gravitational lensing: measures total mass distribution in clusters.

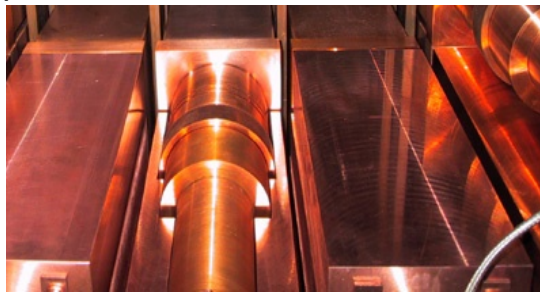


Dark Matter Detection Methods

- **Astrophysics / Cosmology:**

Measurement of Gravitational Effects.

- Rotation curves of spiral galaxies
- Orbital velocities of galaxies in clusters (Zwicky 1933)
- Colliding clusters (Bullet cluster)
- Large scale structure, lensing



- **Direct Detection:**

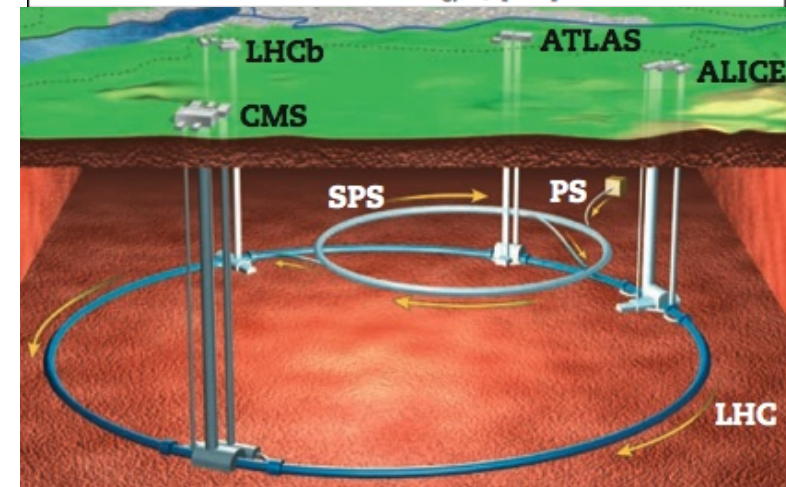
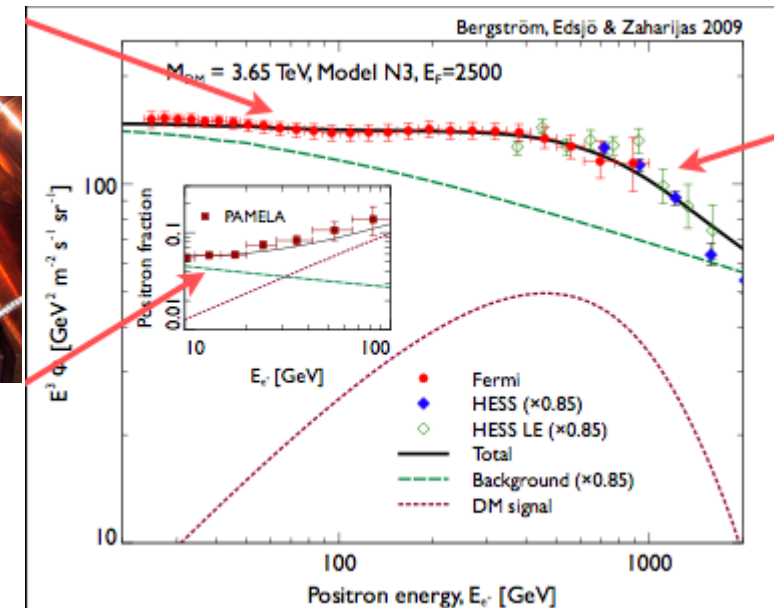
- WIMP scattering
- Axion searches

- **Indirect Detection:** from annihilation or decay

- Cosmic rays
PAMELA positron excess?
Fermi, ATIC, HESS electron spectrum? Anti-deuterons?
- Neutrinos
- Gamma-rays

- **Accelerator-based Creation and Measurement:**

- Missing energy / momentum
- Search for related particles (SUSY, extra dimensions)
even if not the DM particle itself



WIMP Dark Matter Direct Detection

- Dark Matter is non-baryonic, (rather) cold, ...
if a thermal relic from the Big Bang ...

Weakly Interacting Massive Particles: WIMPs

- Scattering of WIMPs χ off of nuclei A.
 - ▶ elastic or inelastic?
 - ▶ spin-independent ($\sim A^2$) or spin-dependent?

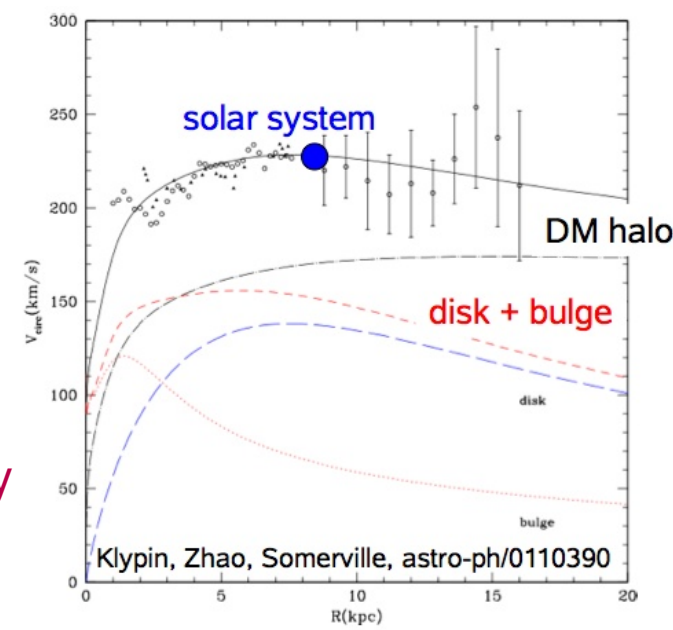
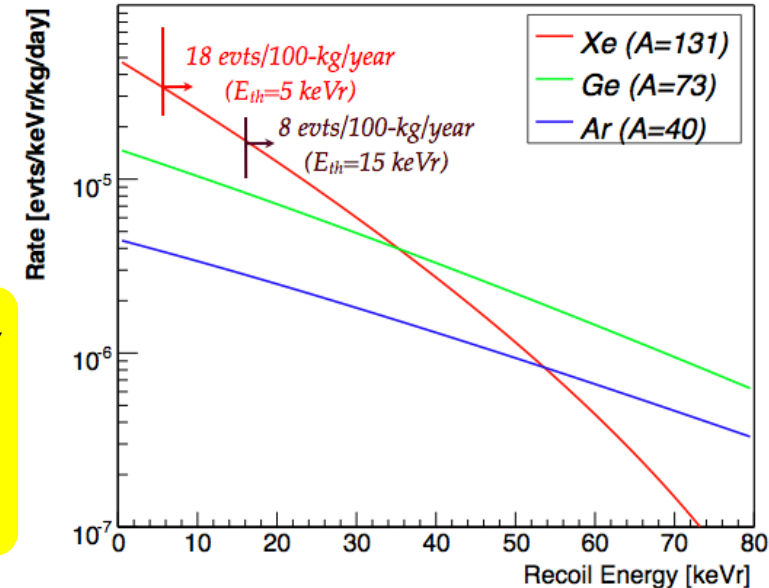
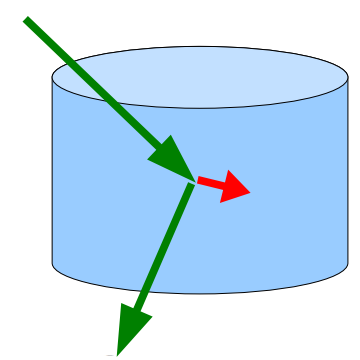
- Energy spectrum:

$$\frac{dR}{dE} = \frac{\rho_\chi \sigma_s}{2 m_\chi \mu^2} |F(E)|^2 \int_{v_{min}}^{v_{esc}} f(\mathbf{v}, t) \frac{(\mathbf{v}, t)}{v} d^3 v$$

$$f(\mathbf{v}, t) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{v}_E(t))^2}{2 \sigma_v^2}\right)$$

- ▶ $m_\chi \sim 10 - 10^4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$, $\mu = (m_\chi m_n)/(m_\chi + m_n)$
- ▶ $v_\chi \sim 230 \text{ km/s}$
- ▶ “Standard” spherical halo:
Featureless recoil spectrum $\langle E \rangle \sim O(10 \text{ keV})$
- ▶ ρ_χ/m_χ : local number density of WIMPs
- ▶ $\rho_\chi \sim 0.3 \text{ GeV}/c^2/\text{cm}^3$, $\rho_\chi/m_\chi \lesssim 10 / L$
- ▶ σ_s cross section per nucleus.

Rate $< 10^{-2}$ events / kg / day



Backgrounds in Direct DM Search

Cross-sections are very small: $<10^{-43} \text{ cm}^2$ or 10^{-7} pb (spin-independent)

Without background, sensitivity $\propto (\text{mass} \times \text{exposure time})^{-1}$

With background subtraction $\propto (M \text{ t})^{1/2}$
until limited by systematics.

Backgrounds:

Gamma-rays & beta decays:

$\sim 100 \text{ events/kg/day}$

Need very good β and γ background discrimination.

Shielding: low-activity lead, water, noble liquids (active), liquid N_2 , ...

Neutrons from (α , n) and spontaneous fission (concrete, rock, etc.):

$\sim 1 \text{ event/kg/day}$ (LNGS)

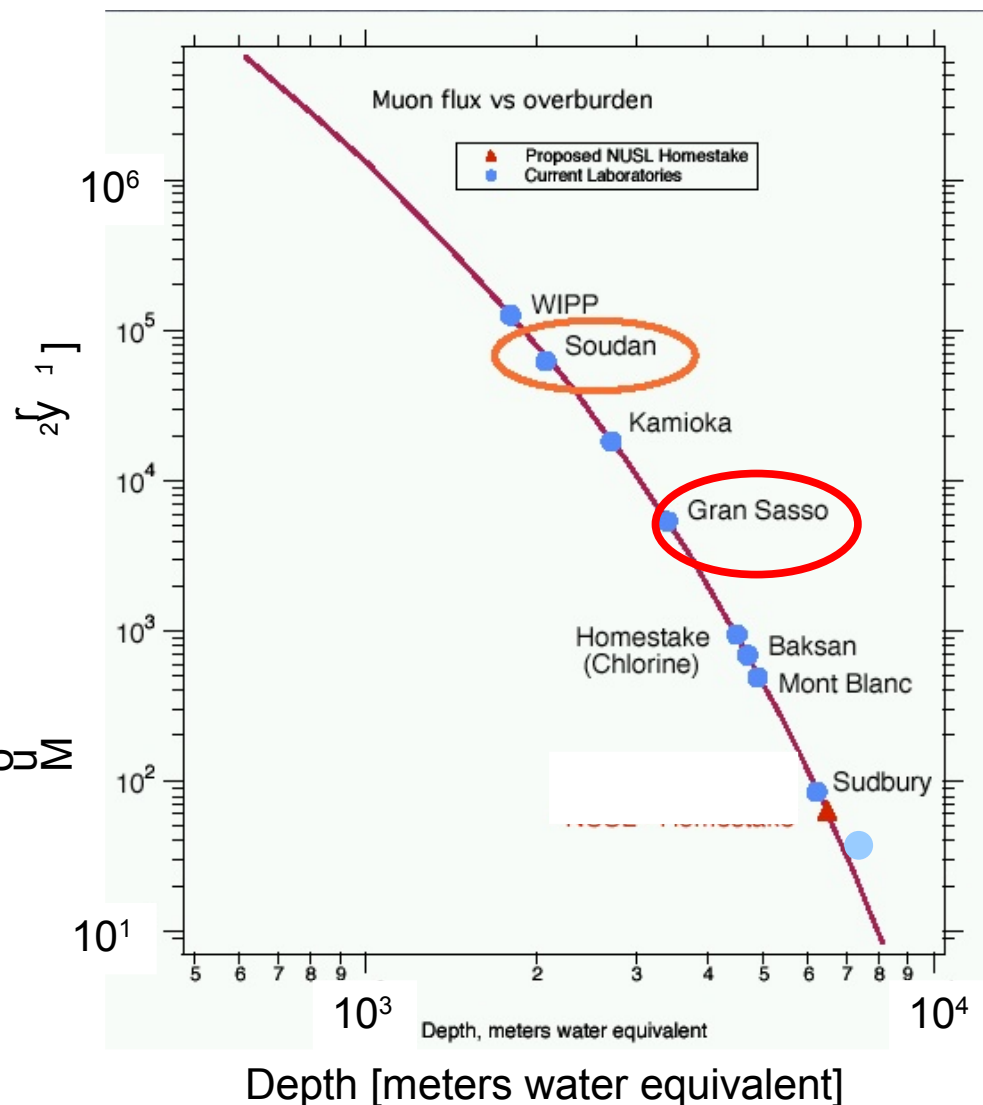
Neutron moderator (polyethylene, paraffin, ...)

Neutrons from CR muons:

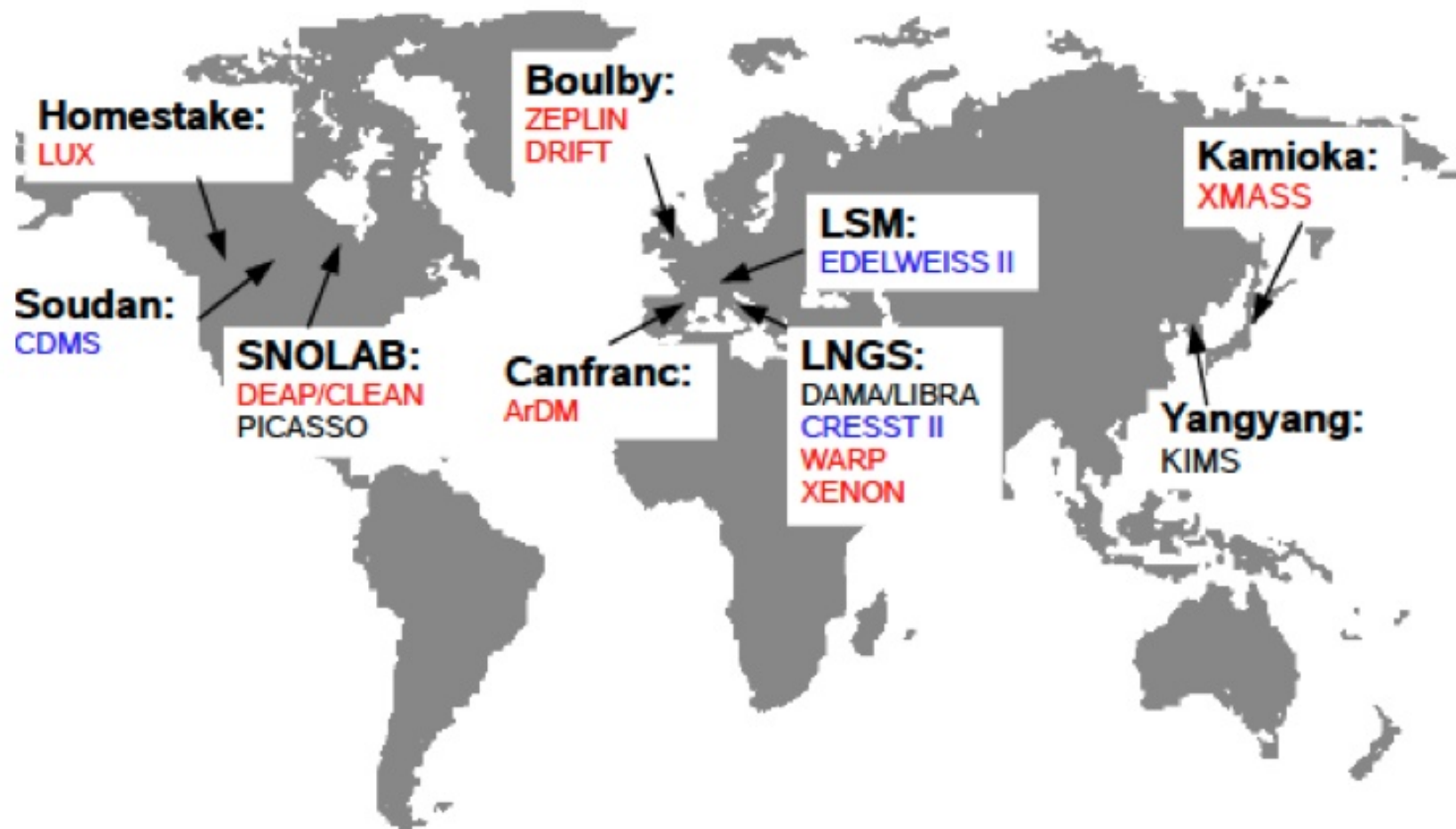
Rate depending on depth.

μ -veto, n-veto, shielding

α decays from Rn daughters, ...



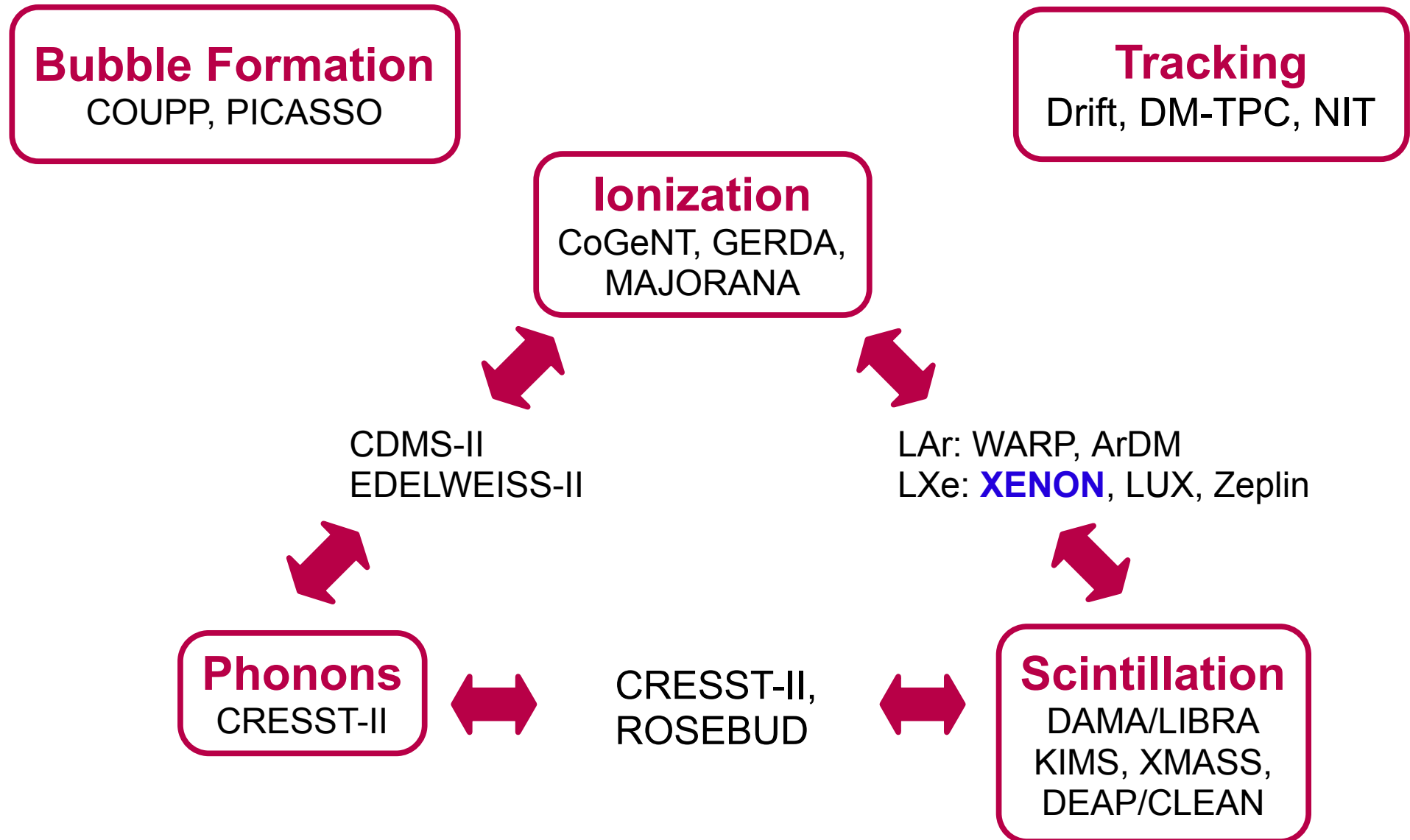
Worldwide Searches for WIMP Dark Matter



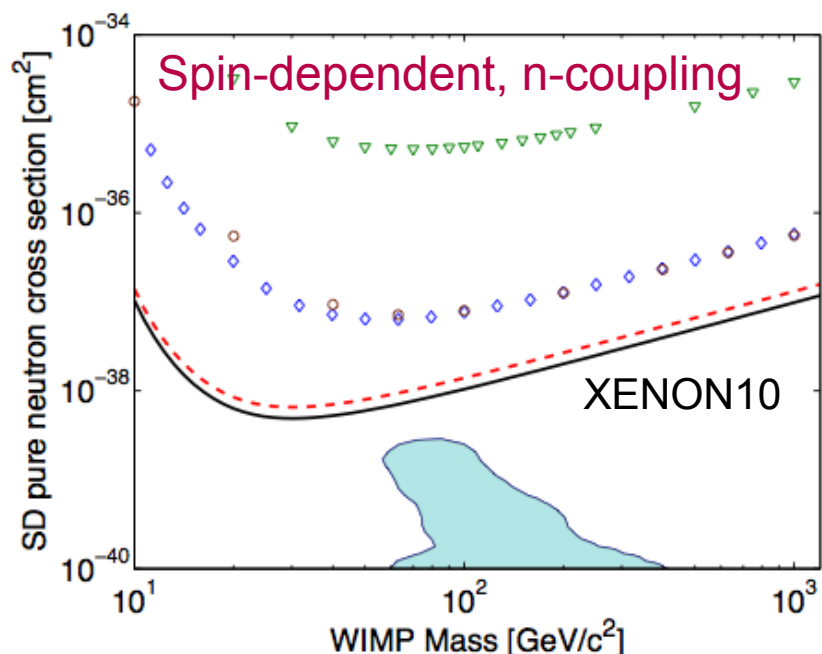
- Cryogenic (phonon) detectors
- Noble Liquid detectors
- Other technologies

DM Detector Overview

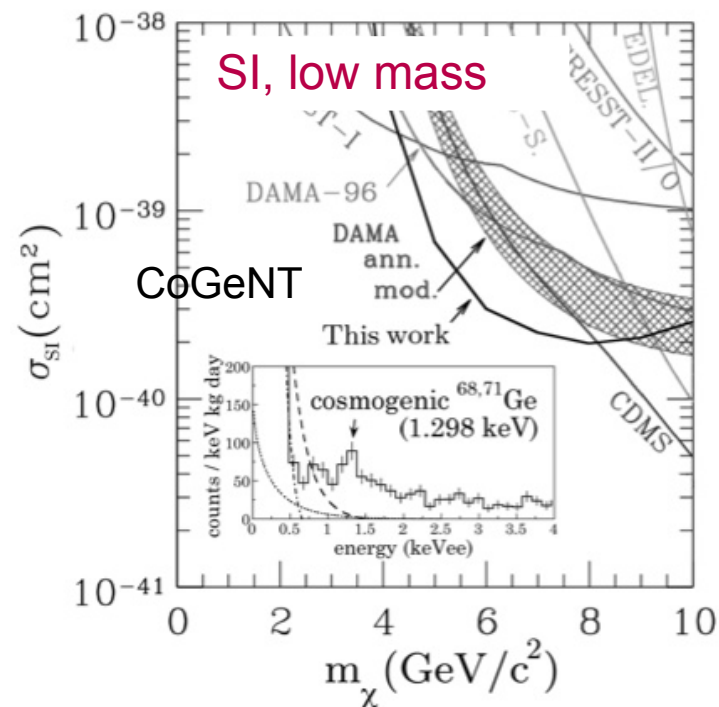
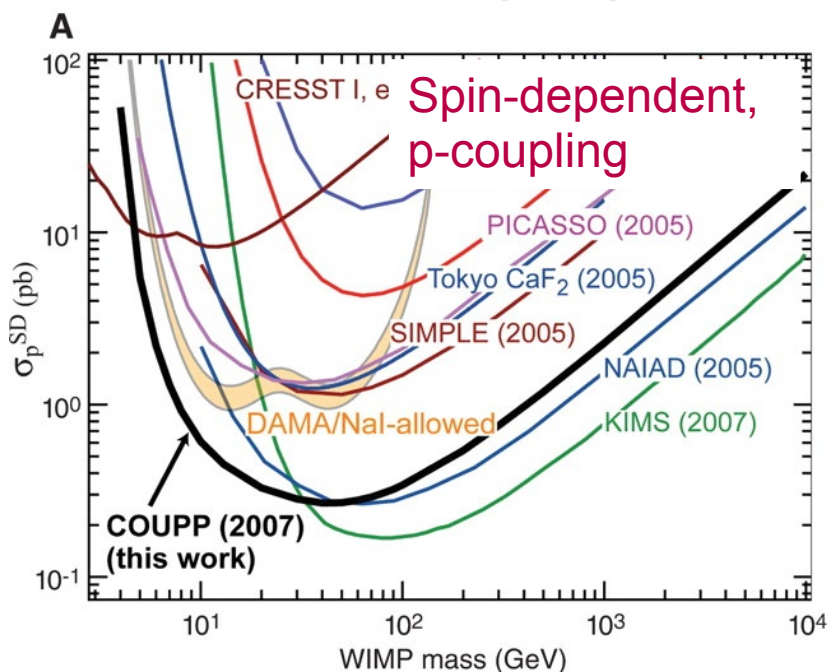
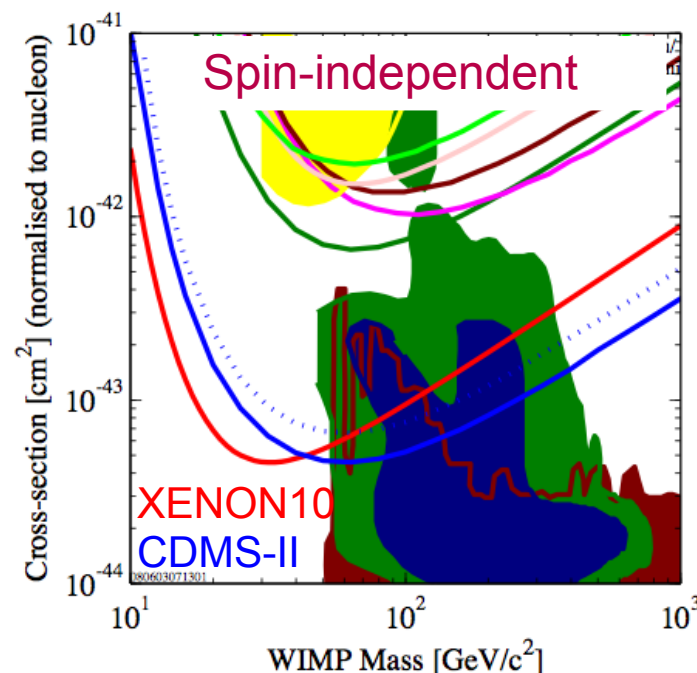
Detection Principles



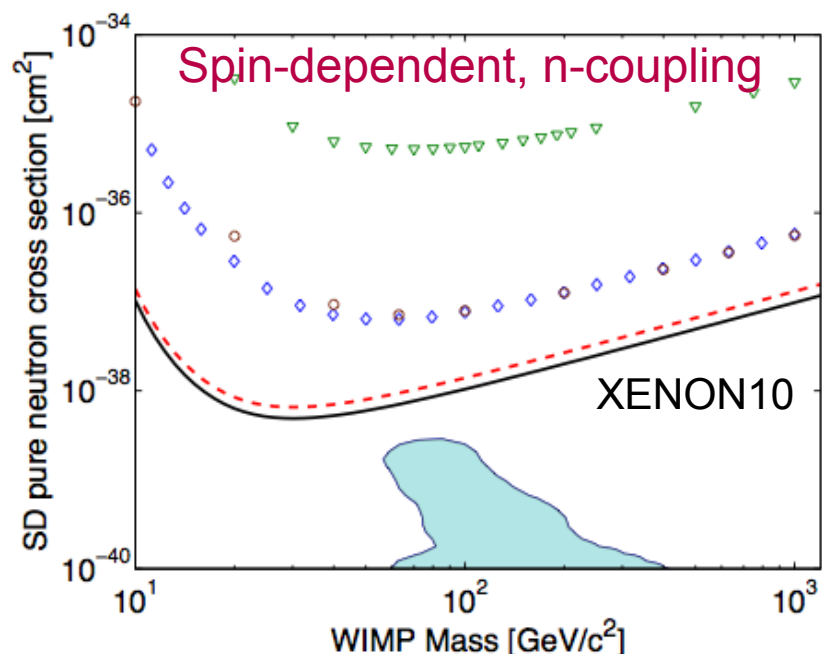
Current Status in WIMP DM Sensitivities (2009)



- J. Angle et al., 2008 PRL 101 091301 (XENON10 SD)
- J. Angle et al., 2008 PRL 100 (2) 021303 (XENON10 SI)
- Z. Ahmed et al., arxiv:0802.353v1 (CDMS-II SI)
- C.E. Aalseth et al. arxiv:0807.0879v1 (CoGeNT SI)
- E. Behnke et al., 2008 Science 319, 933 (COUPP SD)
- Recent additions (not plotted):
Zeplin-III SI, SD
arxiv:08/09
limits $\sim \text{Xe10}$



Current Status in WIMP DM Sensitivities (2010)



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PRL 101 091301

XENON10 SI, 2008
PRL 100 (2) 021303

XENON100 SI, 2010:
arxiv:1005.0380, 1005.2615

CDMS-II, 2010:
Science 327, 1619

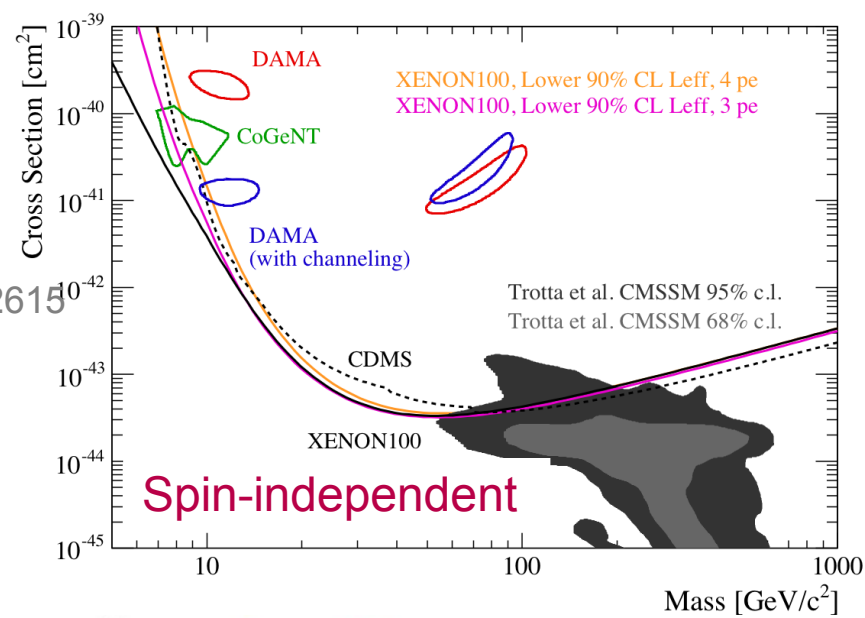
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DAMA/LIBRA, 2010:
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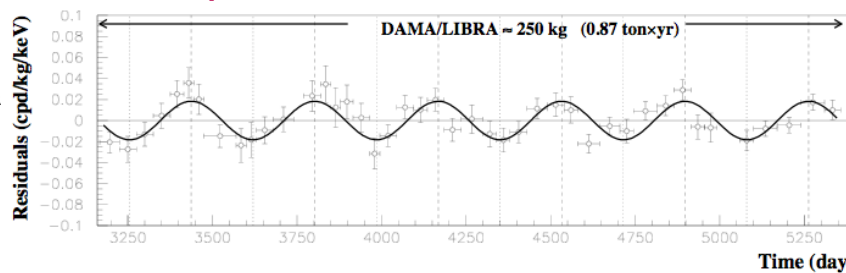
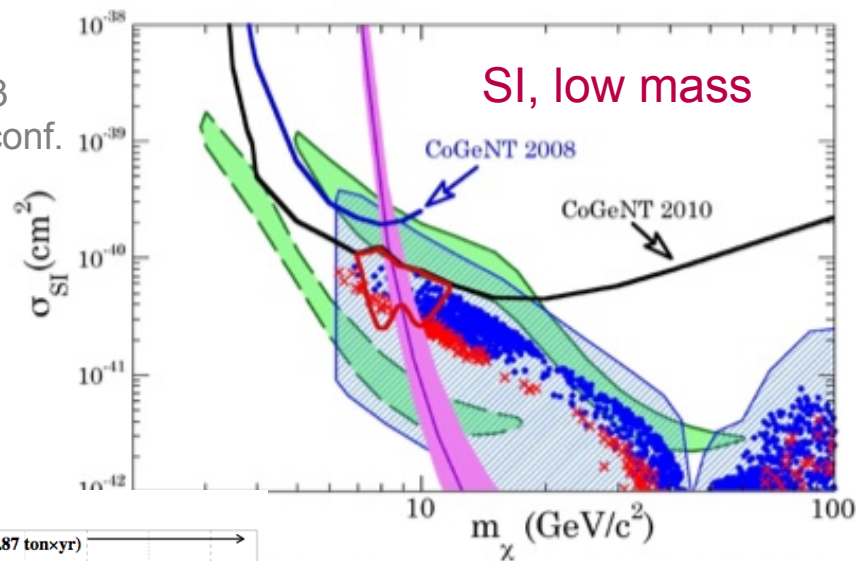
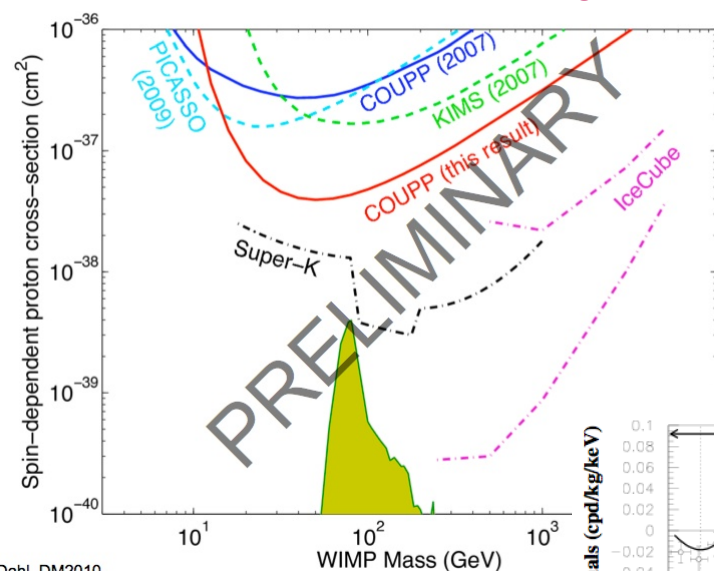
COUPP SD:
2008: Science 319, 933
2010 prelim: DM2010 conf.

PICASSO SD, 2009:
Phys.Lett. B 682, 185

Annual modulation
update

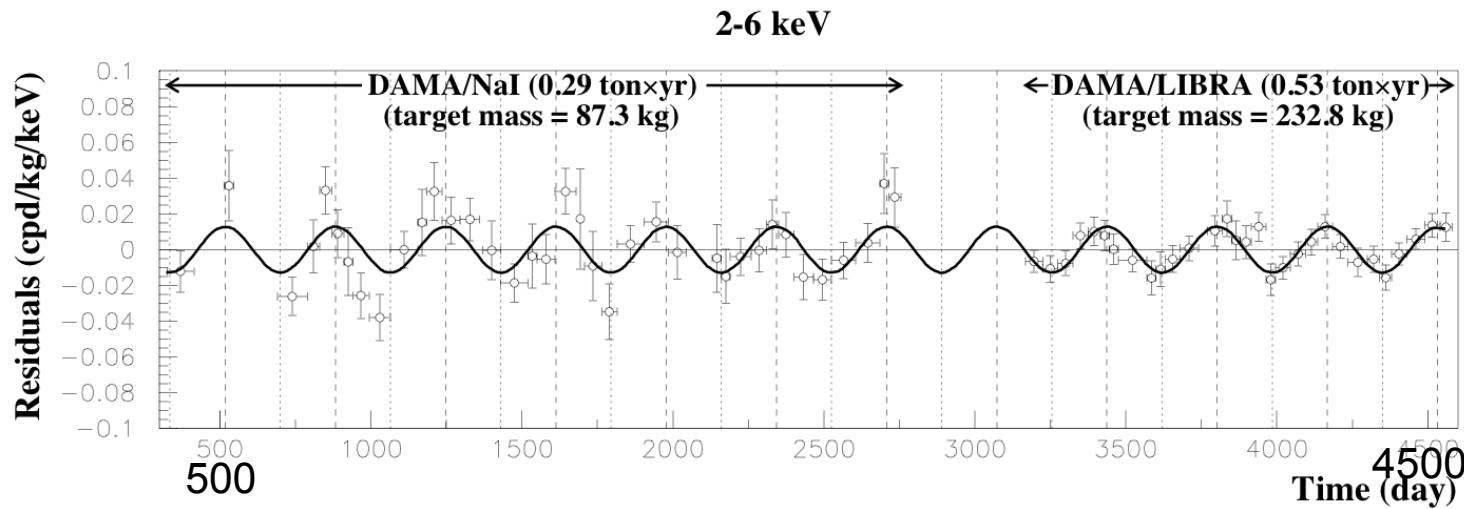
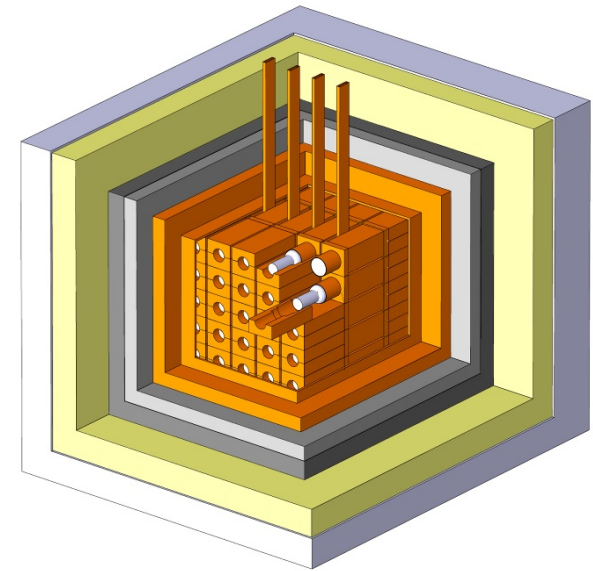


Spin-dependent, p-coupling

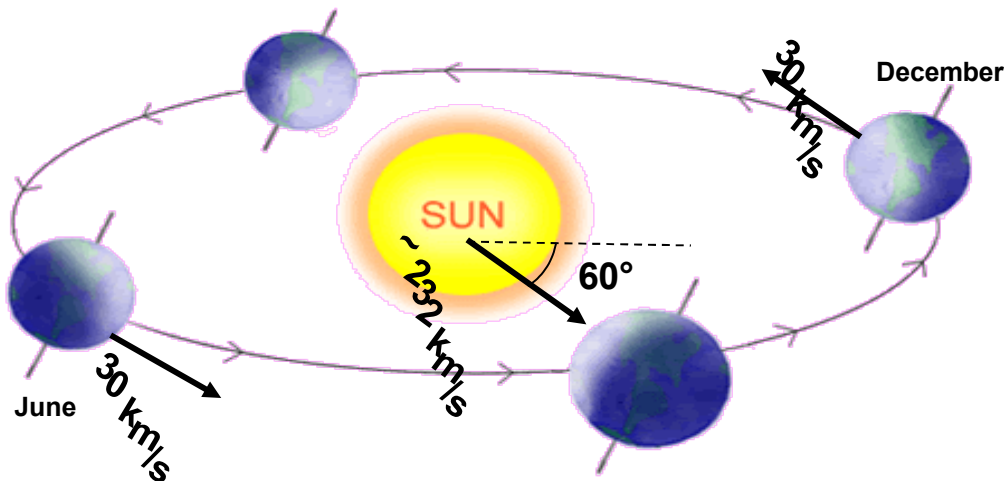


DAMA/LIBRA Annual Modulation

R. Bernabei et al. arxiv:0804.2741, arxiv:1002.1028



~250 kg of NaI counters
1.17 ton-year exposure
(2010)



- Modulation in 2-6 keV single hits: 8.9σ
- Mostly in 2-4 keV, ~ 0.02 cts/d/kg/keV
- Total single rate ~ 1 cts/d/kg/keV
- Standard DM distribution: $\sim 5\%$ modulation
- Period & phase about right for DM.
- No annual modulation in 6-14 keV.
- No annual modulation in multiple hits. (statistics?)
- **DM detection?**
- Conflict with other experiments in standard scenarios that test the larger steady state effect! **Inelastic DM? Low mass WIMPs?**

Drukier, Freese, Spergel PRD 86
Freese et al. PRD 88

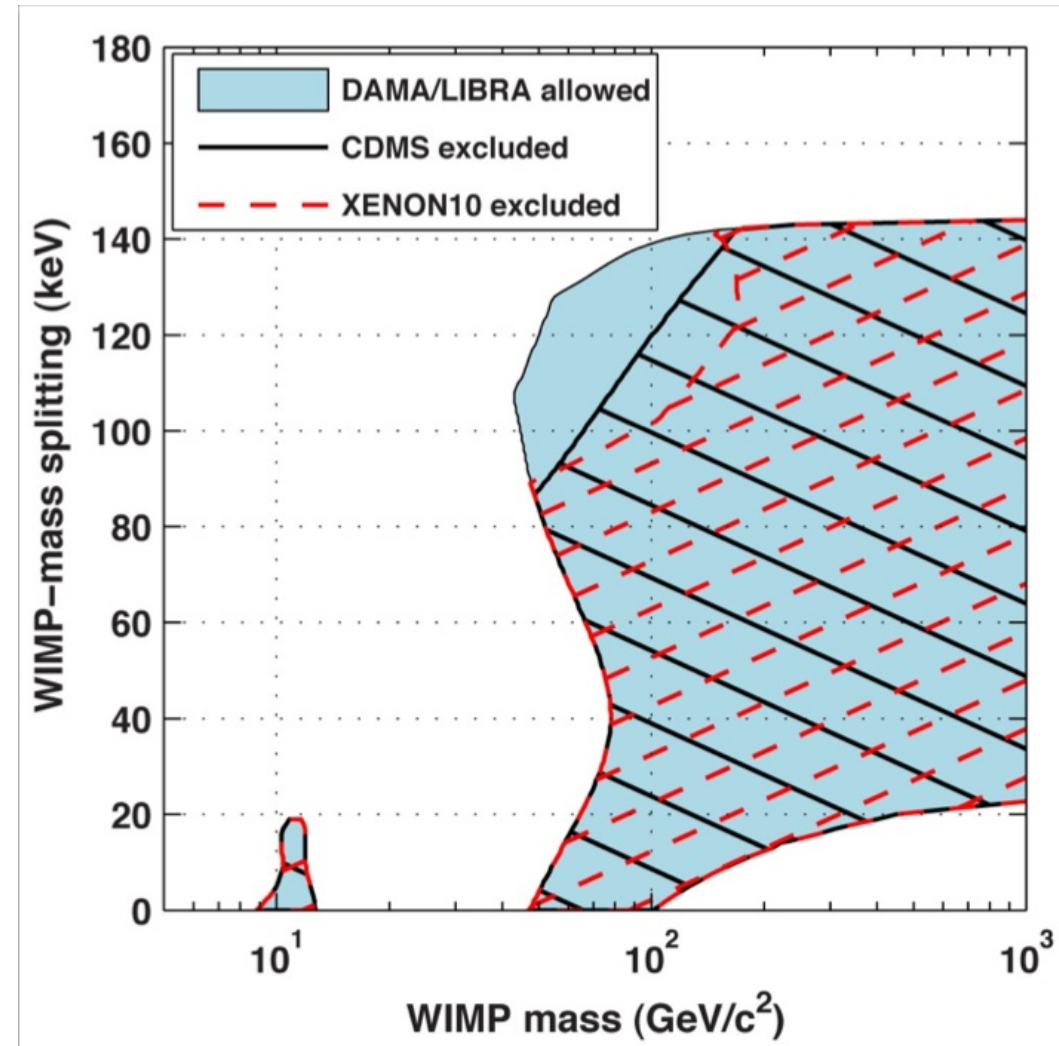
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Inelastic Dark Matter Limits

- Assume DM can scatter only in a low-lying excited state, i.e., elastic scattering is suppressed.
- This makes DAMA/LIBRA annual modulation still compatible with XENON10 & CDMS in a parameter space with energy splitting $\sim 90 - 140$ keV at WIMP masses $50 - 140$ GeV/c^2 .
- XENON100 will cover the entire allowed parameter space at very low background – but will require good low energy calibration.



Cryogenic Germanium: CDMS-II, Edelweiss-II

Collaboration: 16 US institutions + Queens/Canada + U Zurich/Switzerland

located in Soudan underground mine:

Detectors: 30 cryobolometer

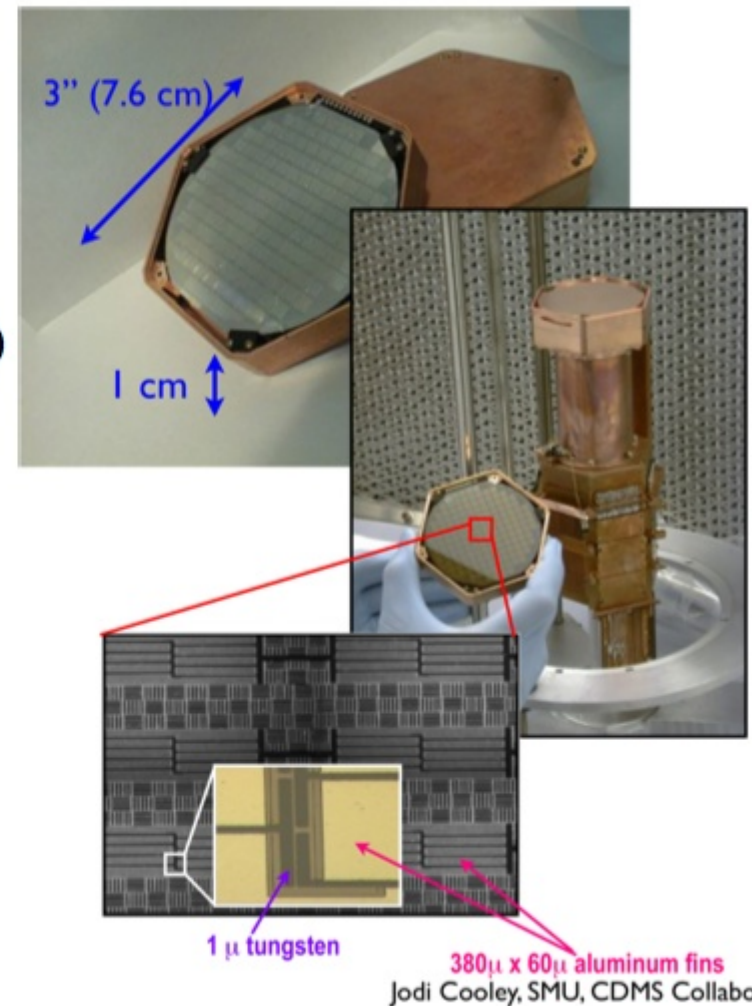
19 Ge (230g), 11 Si (100g)

in 5 stacks inside background shield

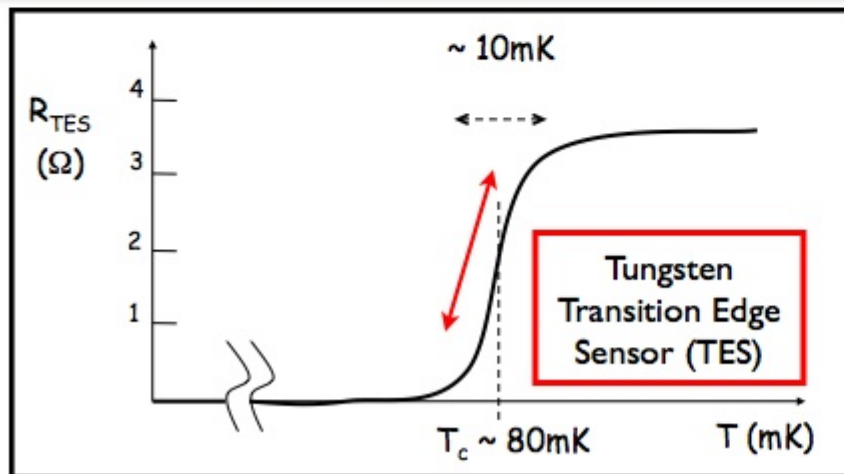
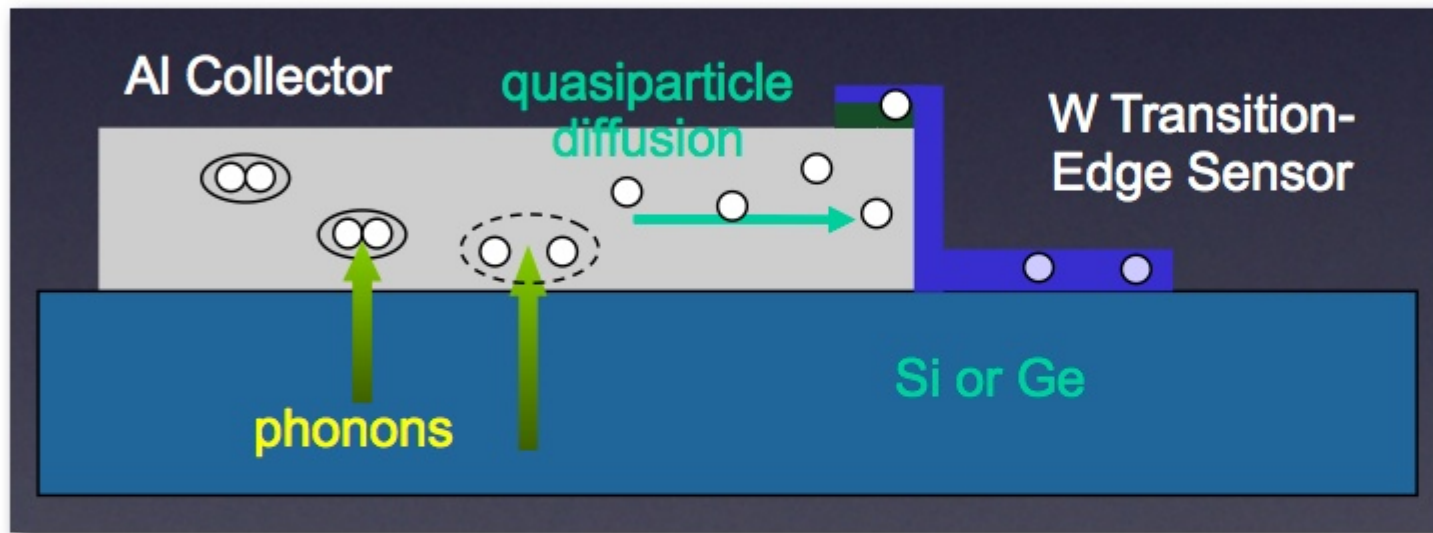
with heat (phonons thermalized and athermals)
and ionisation readout



not shown: active μ -veto



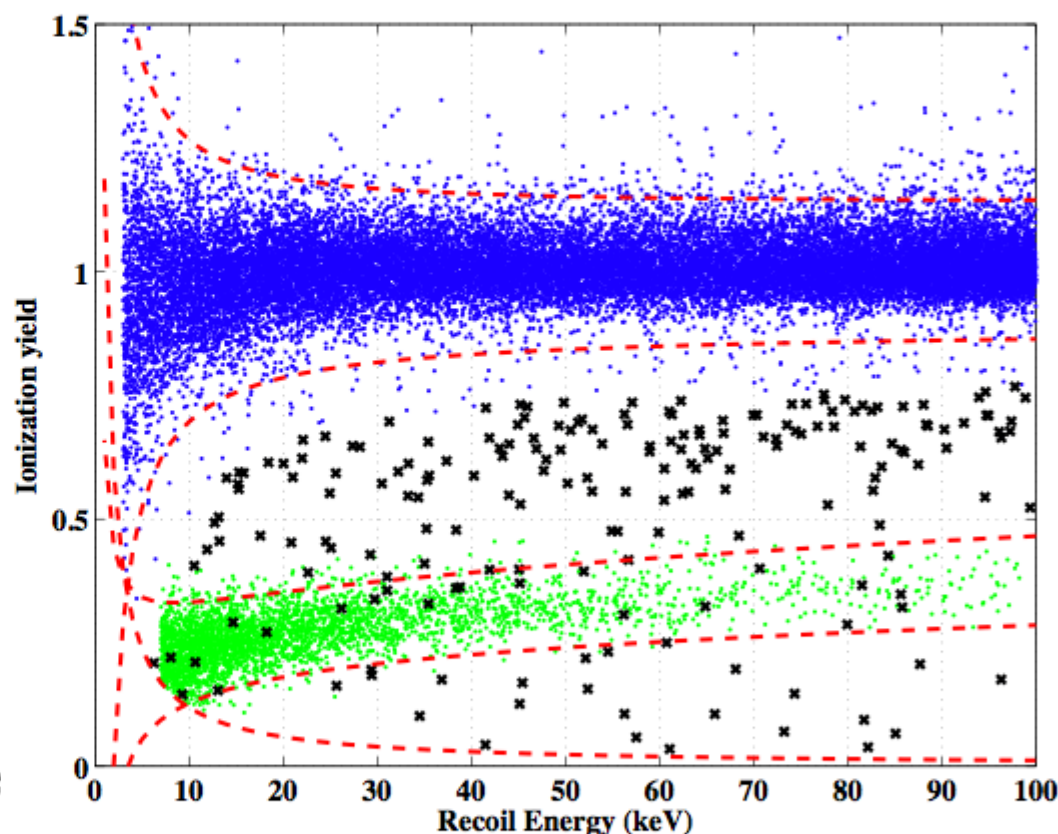
CDMS-II Operating Principle: Measurement of Charge and Phonons



4 SQUID readout channels,
each reads out 1036 TESs in
parallel

CDMS-II Surface Background

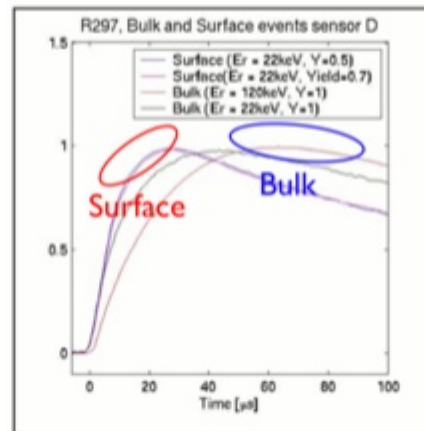
- Most backgrounds (e, γ) produce electron recoils
- WIMPS and neutrons produce nuclear recoils.
- Ionization yield (ionization energy per unit phonon energy) strongly depends on particle type.
- Particles that interact in the “surface dead layer” result in reduced ionization yield.



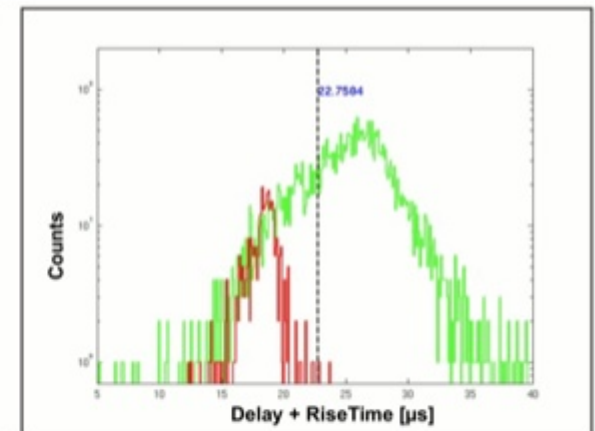
CDMS-II Background Suppression

Solution for surface contamination events:

⇒ detection of athermal photons to become sensitive to surface events at separation efficiency 10^{-6}

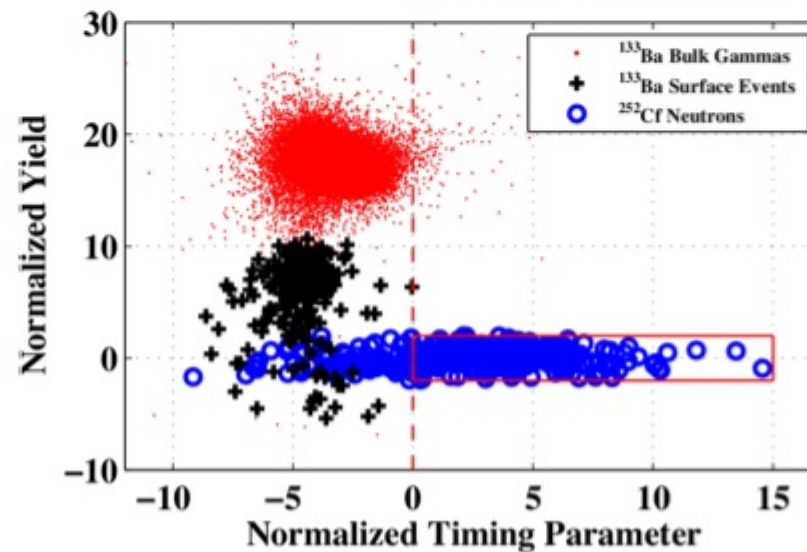


Phonons near surface travel faster, resulting in shorter risetimes of phonon pulse.



Selection criteria set to accept ~0.5 background events.

J. Cooley, SLAC, Dec 17, 2009

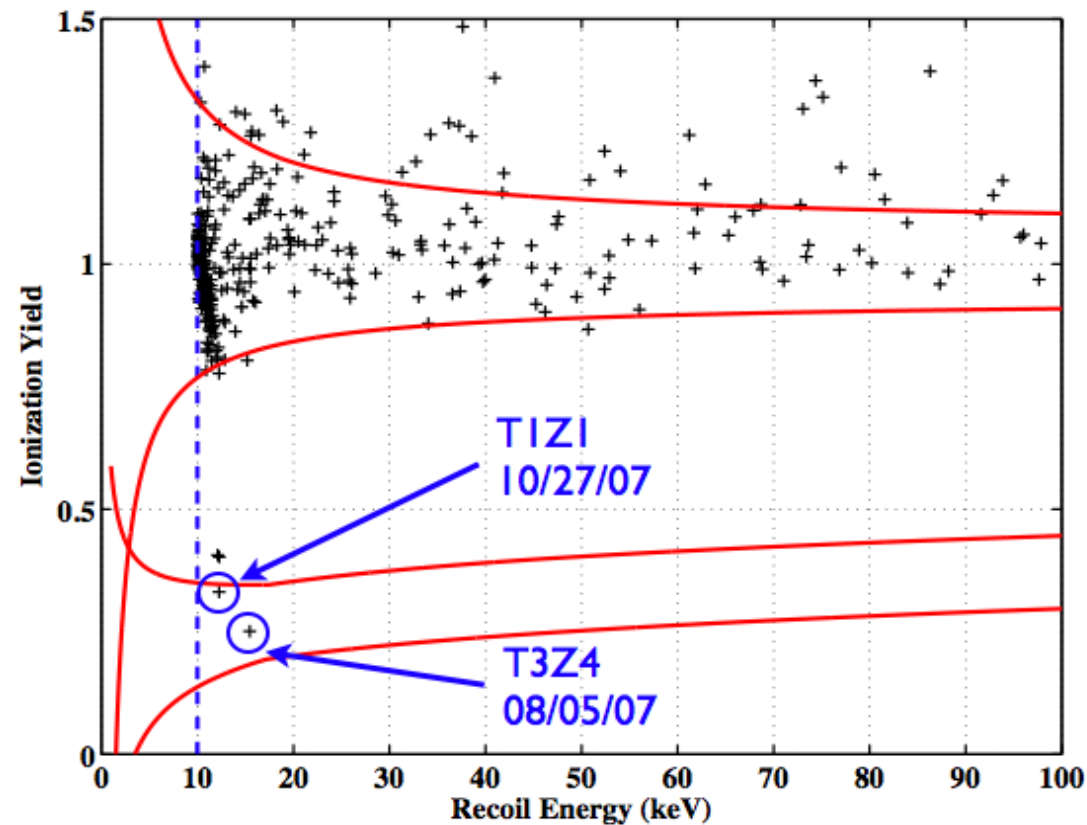
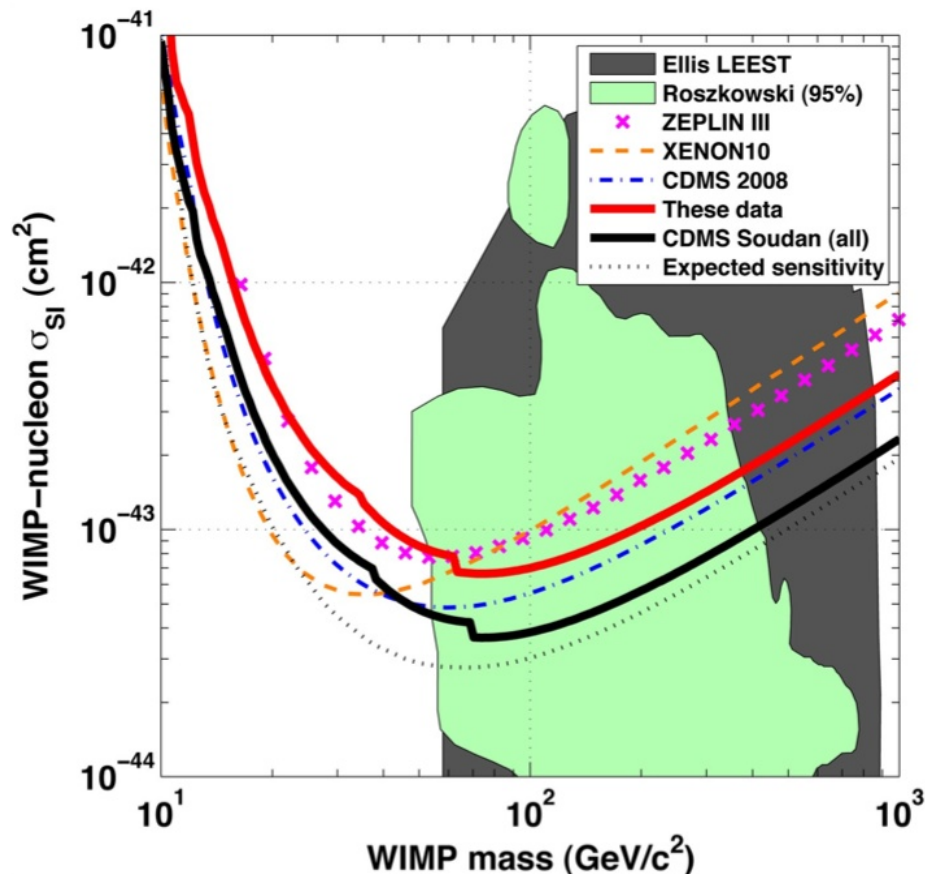


arXiv:0912.3592

CDMS-II Final Result

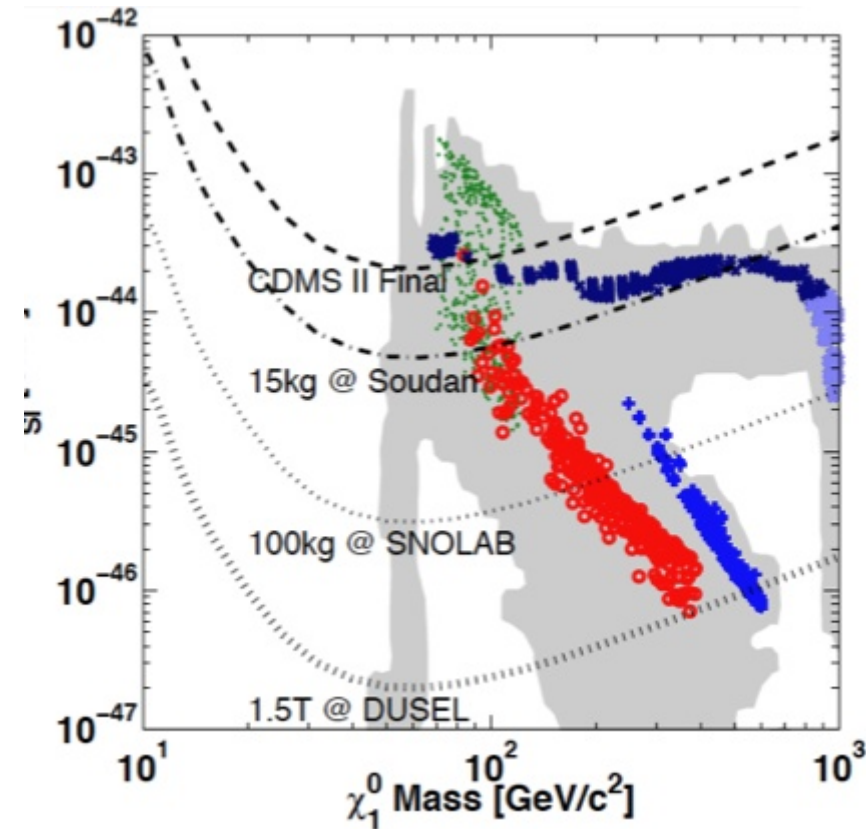
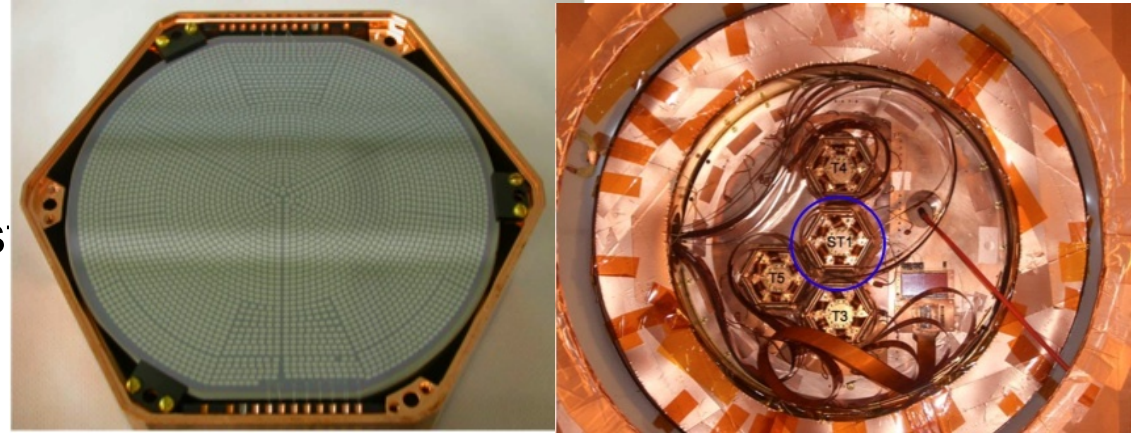
science.1186112 (2010)

- 2 events observed after all cuts.
- Pre-opening background estimate: 0.6 events
- Revised estimate: 0.8 ± 0.1 events
- 23% chance for background.



New Technologies for Large-Scale Cryogenic Germanium: Super-CDMS, Edelweiss / EUREKA

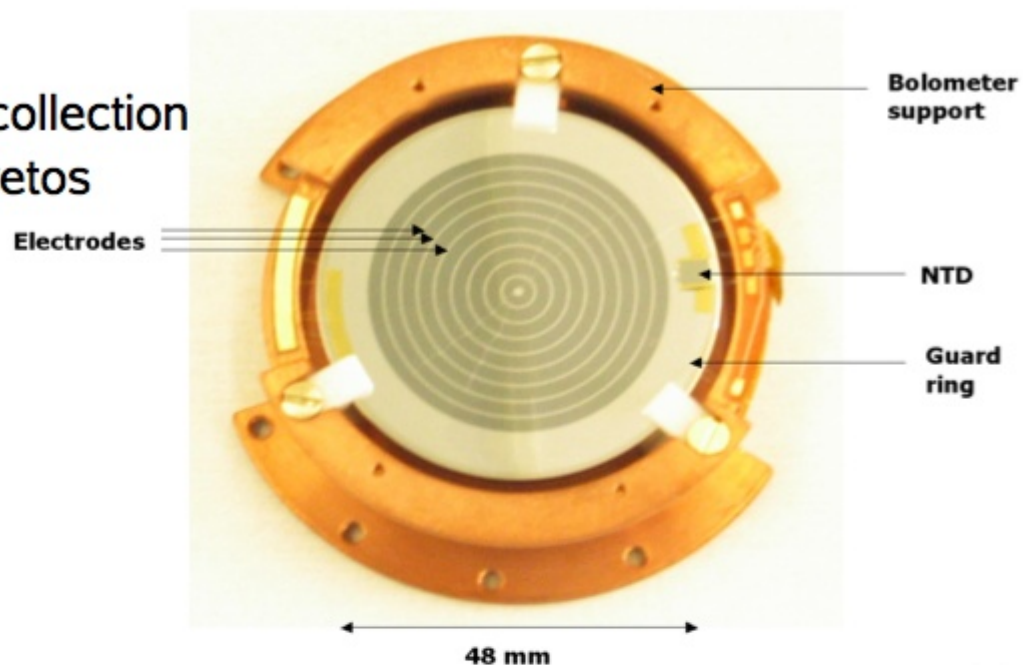
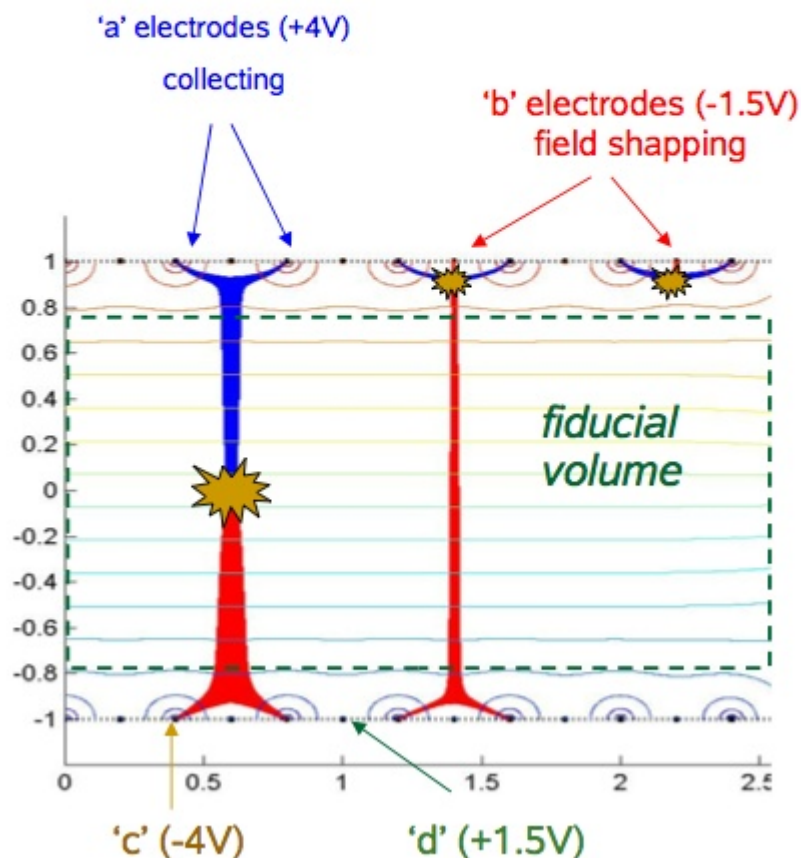
- Use semi-conductor industry production style to improve reproducibility and yield, reduce cost
- Increase size of detectors.
(250 g \rightarrow 607 g in Super-CDMS)
Even 5 kg detectors possible?
- Initially Super-CDMS will remain in Soudan mine (~ 15 kg). Later: ~ 100 kg scale at deeper site (SnoLab).
- EDELWEISS: success with surface background suppression using interleaved electrodes. Much superior over timing cut!
Similar effort ongoing at CDMS (iZip).



Edelweiss – Interleaved Electrodes

Near surfaces:

Transversal E field to suppress charge collection to other side, use 'b' and 'd' signals as vetos without changing bulk field



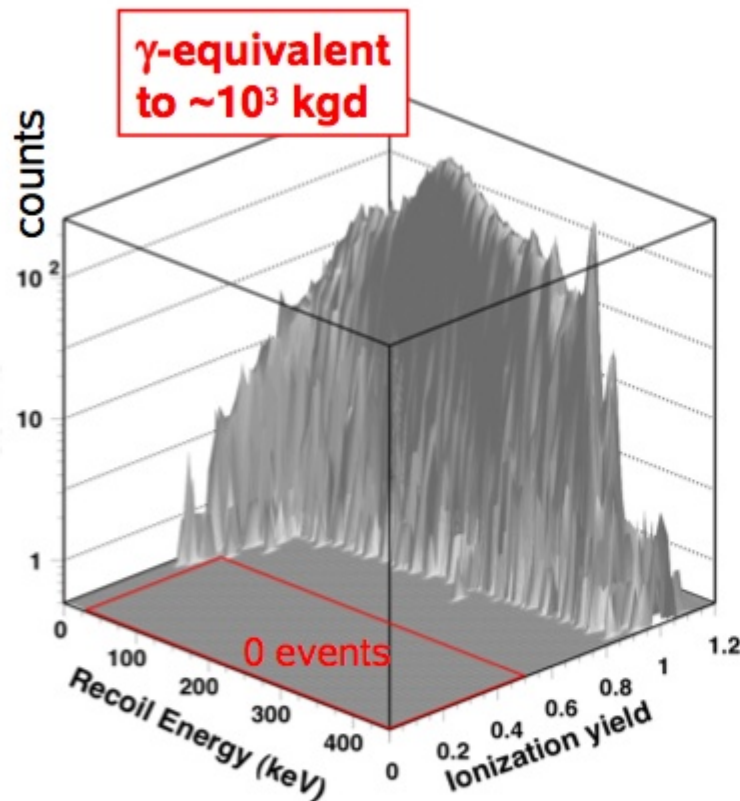
First detector built 2007
1x200g + 3x400g tested in 2008
10x400g running since beginning 2009

E. Armengaud, Colloquium APC, Feb 2010

Performance of Interleaved Electrode Detectors

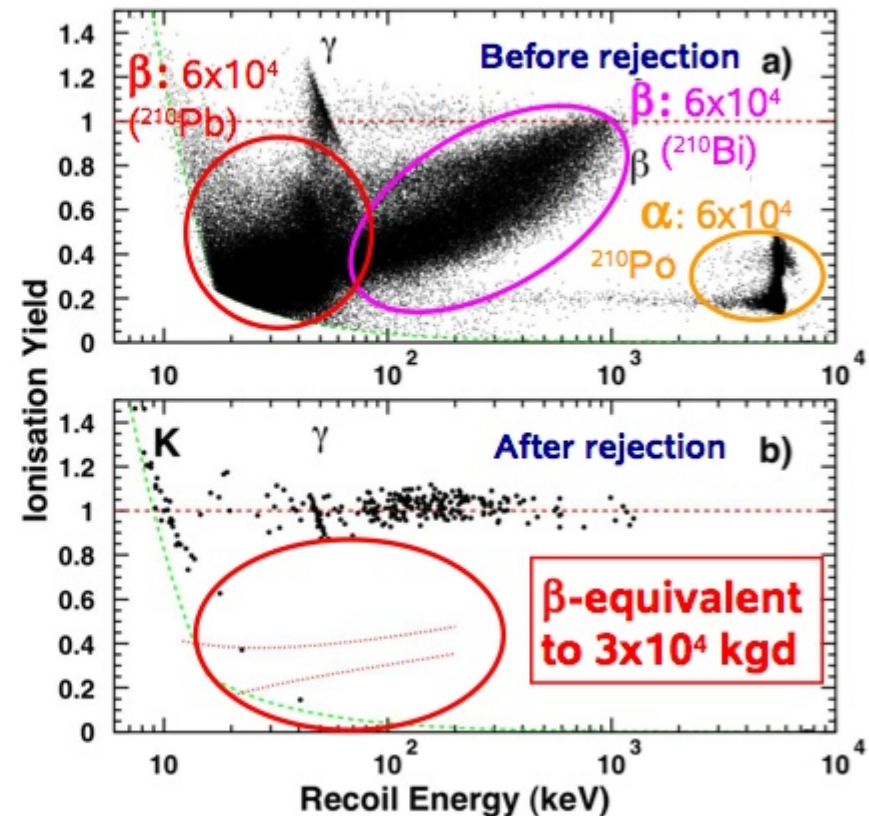
➤ Gamma rejection

~1 month ^{133}Ba calibration ($\sim 10^5 \gamma$'s)



➤ Beta rejection

^{210}Pb source

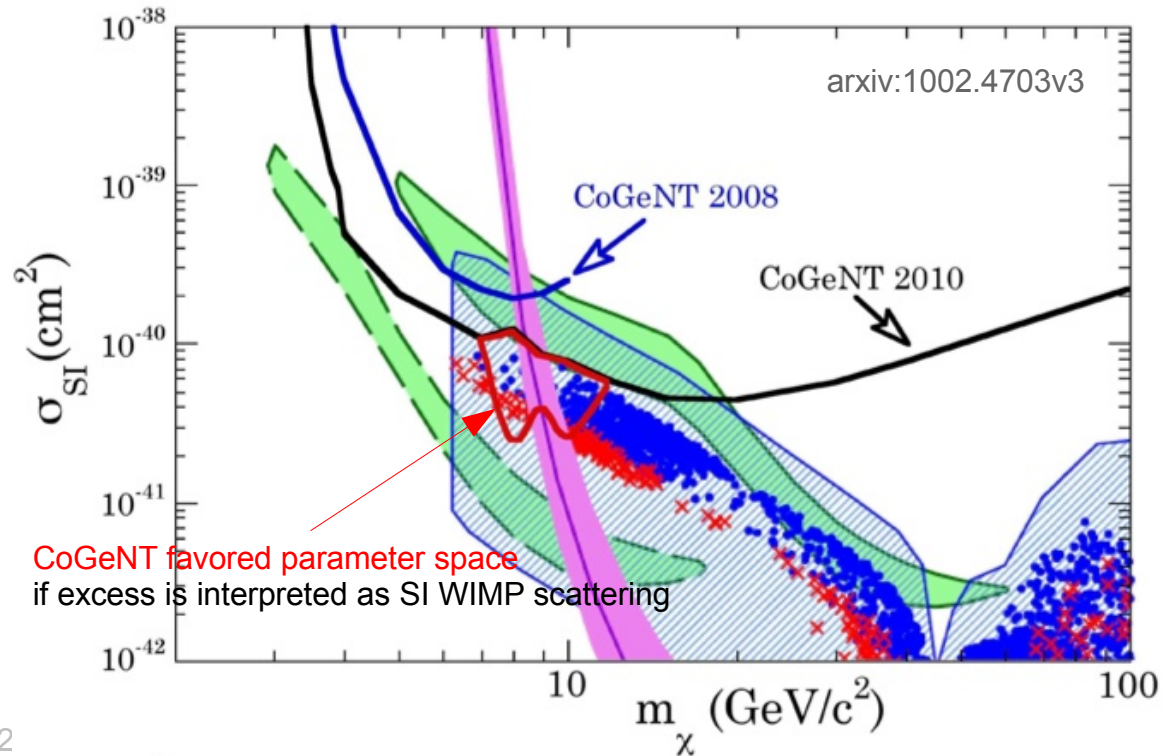
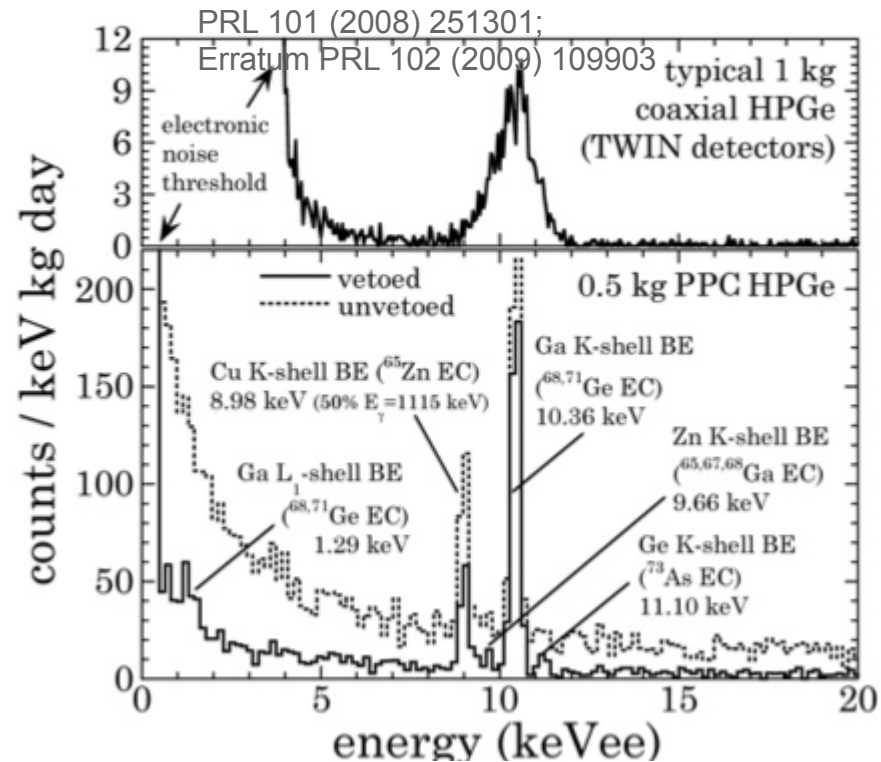
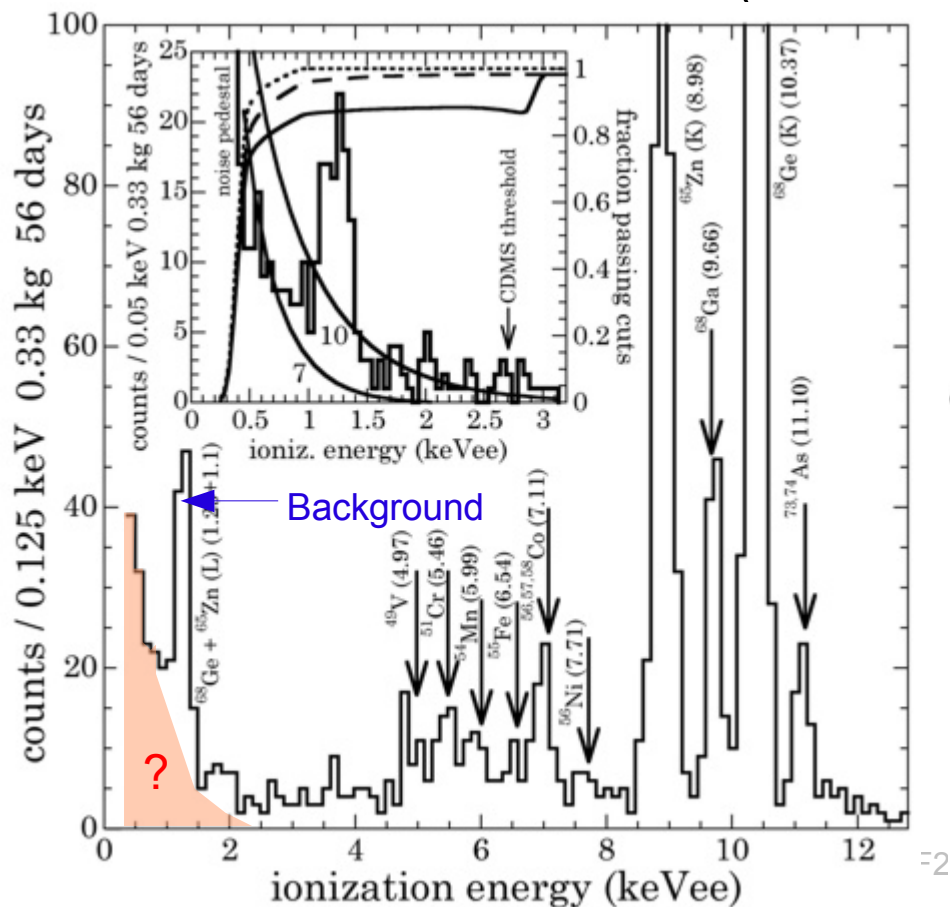


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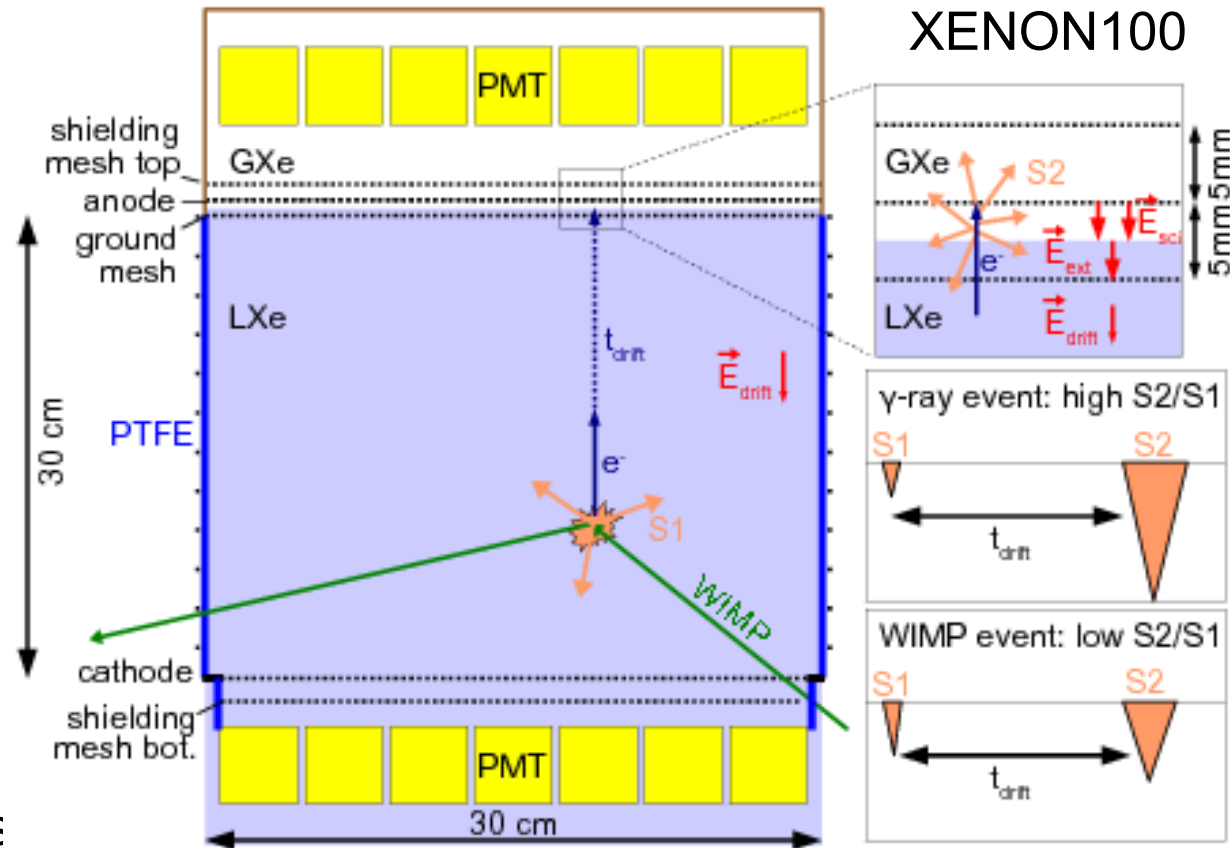
CoGeNT: Have we found Low Mass WIMPs?

- P-type point contact (PPC)
Germanium detectors:
 - ▶ 440 g mass per detector (CDMS: 250 g)
 - ▶ low electronic noise, hence low threshold (0.4 keVee)
- Located in Soudan mine (2100 mwe)



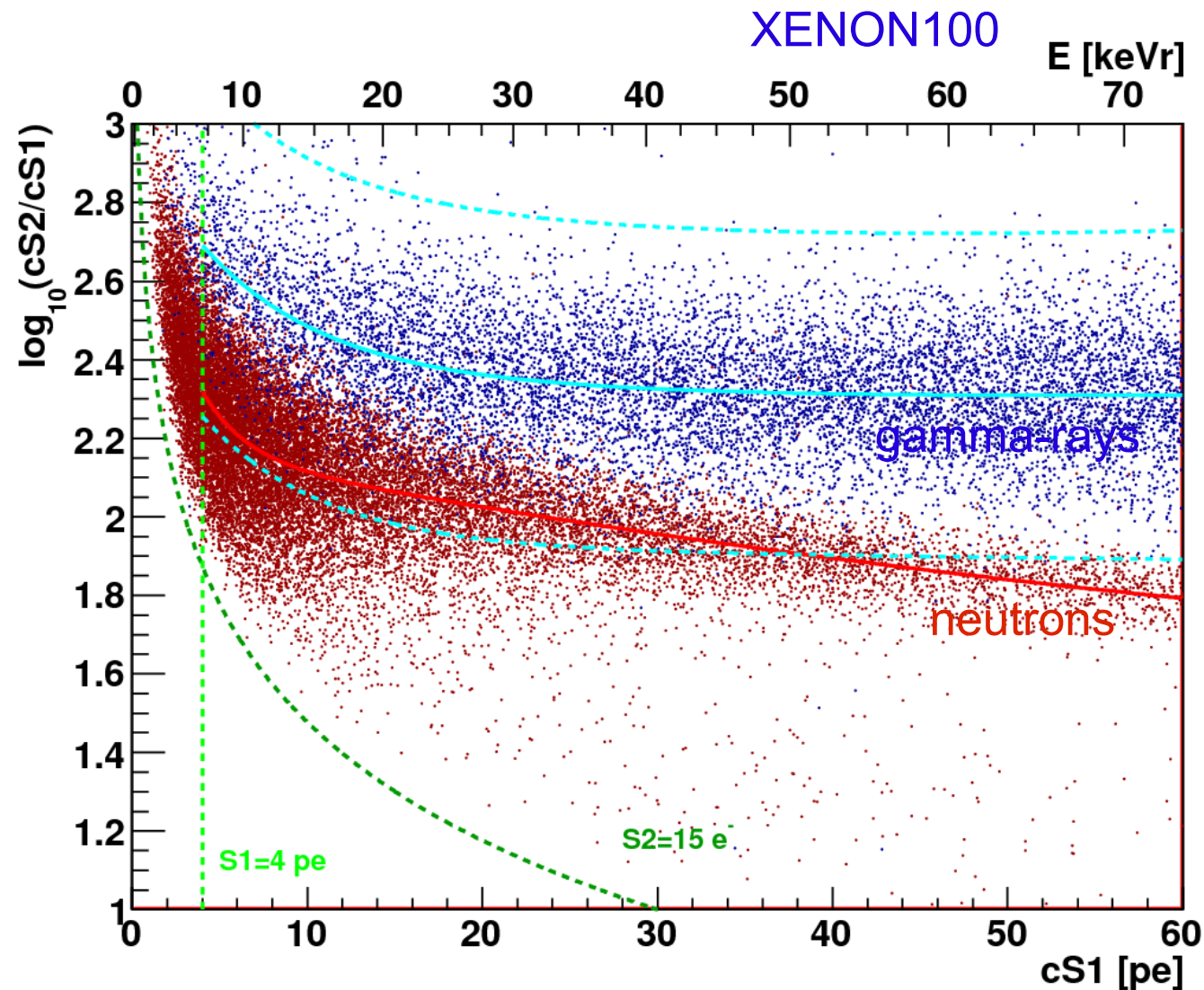
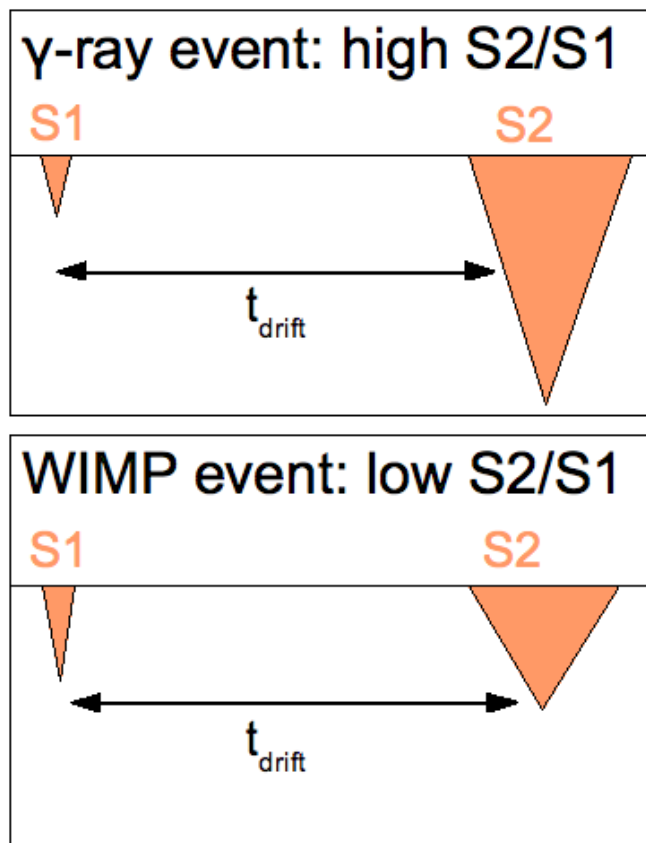
The Liquid Xenon Dual Phase TPC

- Wimp recoil on Xe nucleus in dense liquid (2.9 g/cm^3)
→ Ionization + UV Scintillation
- Detection of primary scintillation light (S1) with PMTs.
- Charge drift towards liquid/gas interface.
- Charge extraction liquid/gas at high field (5 kV/cm) between ground mesh (liquid) and anode (gas)
- Charge produces proportional scintillation signal (S2) in the gas phase (10 kV/cm)
- 3D position measurement:
 - X/Y from S2 signal. Resolution few mm.
 - Z from electron drift time ($\sim 1 \text{ mm}$).



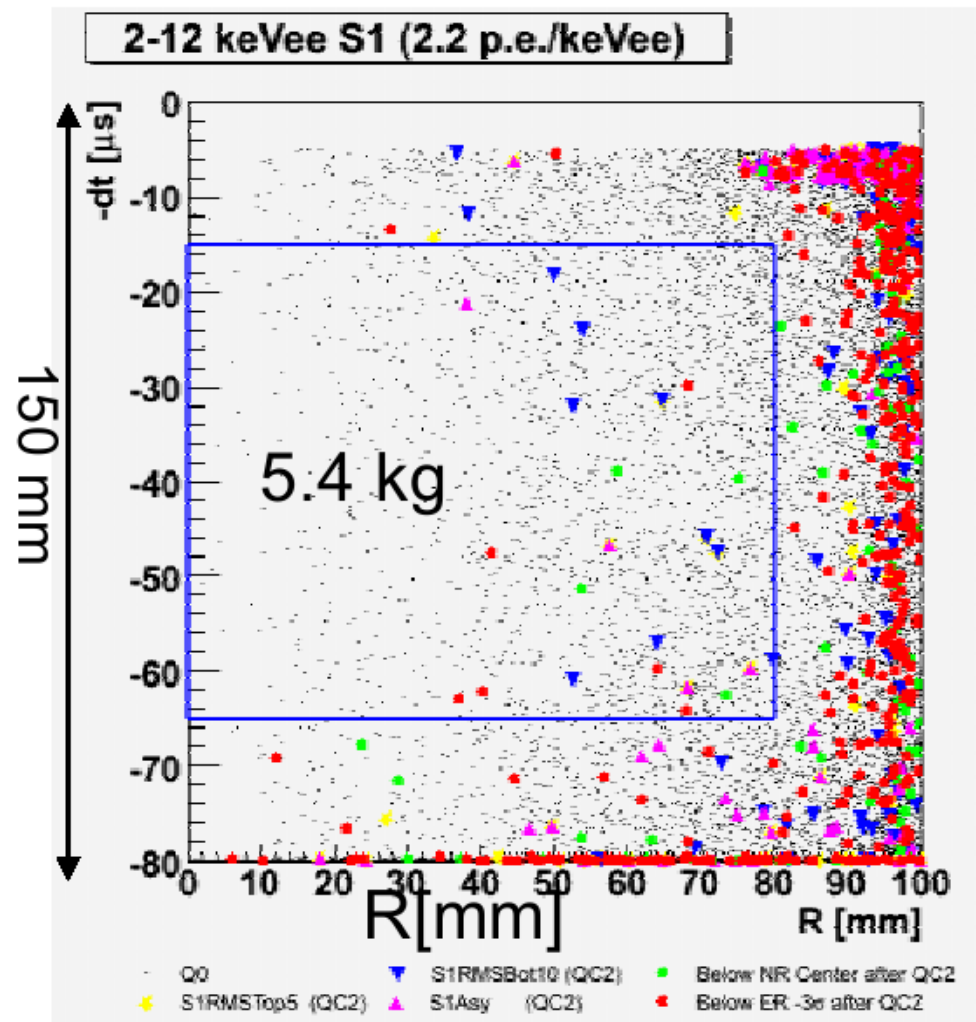
Background Discrimination in Dual Phase Liquid Xenon TPC's

Ionization/Scintillation Ratio S2/S1

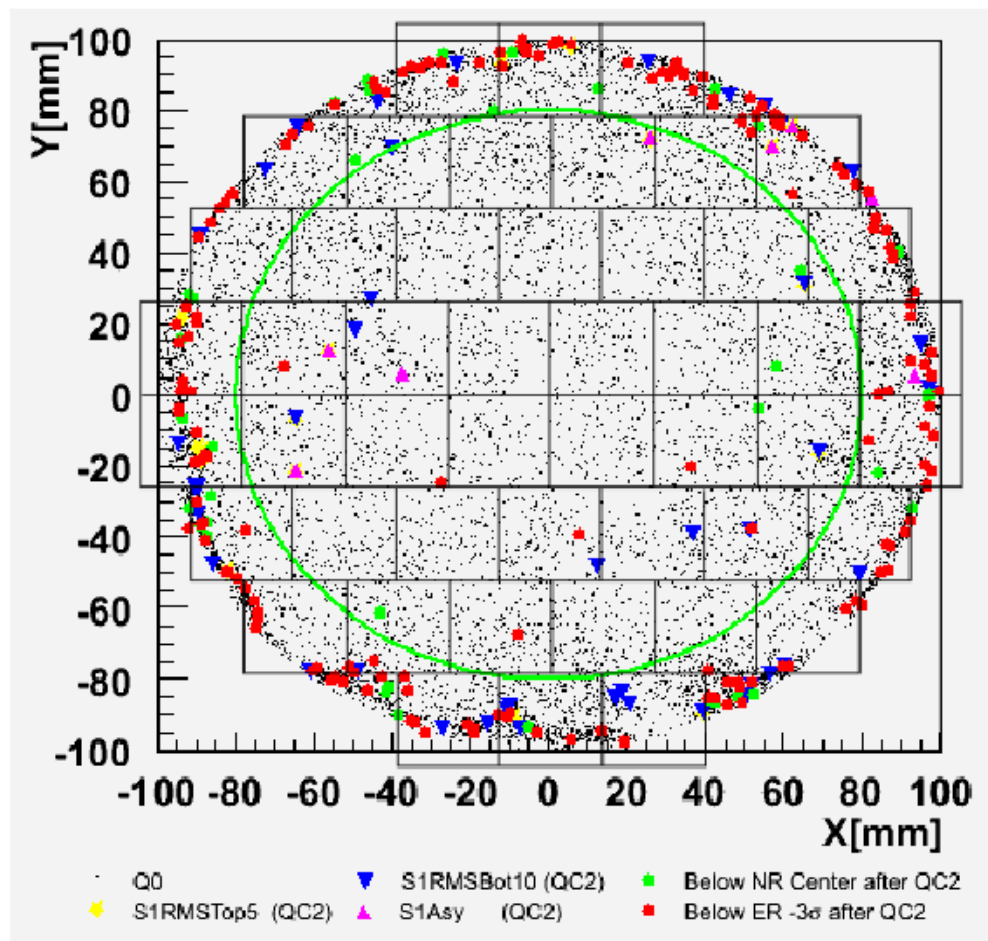


Background Discrimination in Dual Phase Liquid Xenon TPC's

3D Position Resolution: fiducial cut, singles/multiples



XENON10



The XENON Program



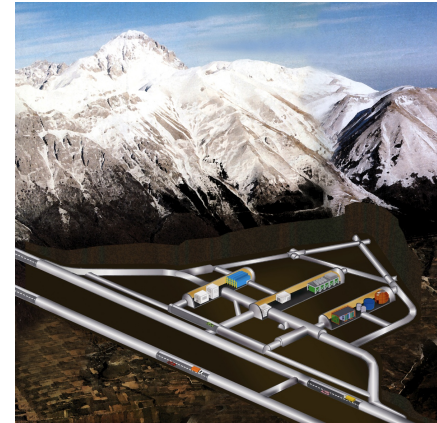
Collaboration: US (3) + China (1) + France (1) + Italy (2) + Japan (1) + Portugal (1) + Switzerland (1) + Germany (2) + ...

GOAL: Explore WIMP Dark Matter with a sensitivity of $\sigma_s \sim 10^{-47} \text{ cm}^2$.

▸ Requires ton-scale fiducial volume with extremely low background.

CONCEPT:

- **Target LXe:** excellent for DM WIMPs scattering.
 - Sensitive to both axial and scalar coupling.
- **Detector: two-phase XeTPC:** 3D position sensitive, self-shielding.
- **Background discrimination:** simultaneous charge & light detection (>99.5%).
- **PMT readout** with >3 pe/keV. **Low energy threshold** for nuclear recoils (~5 keV).

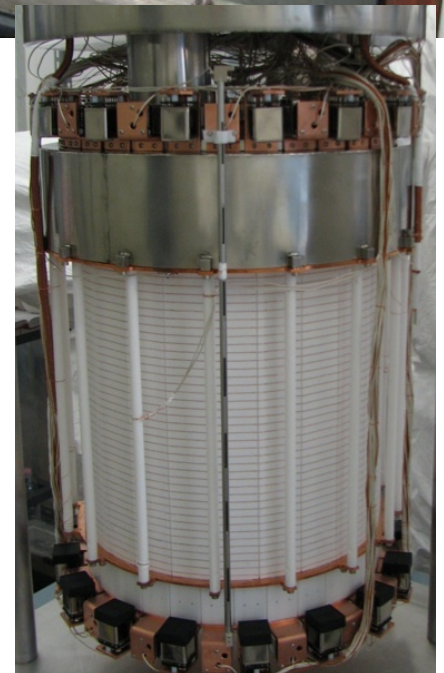
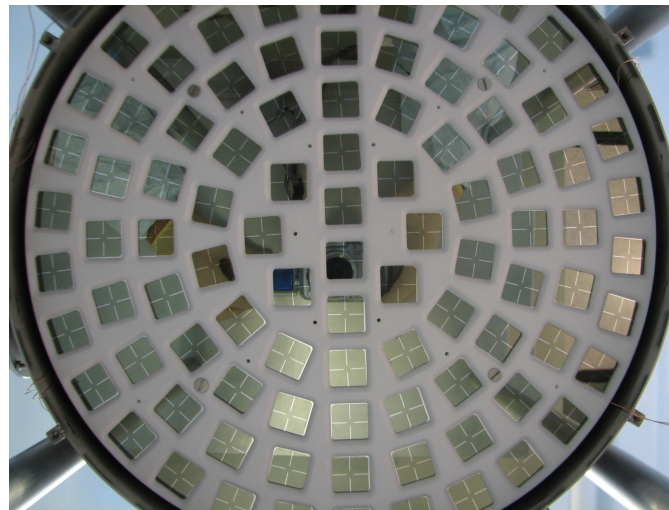
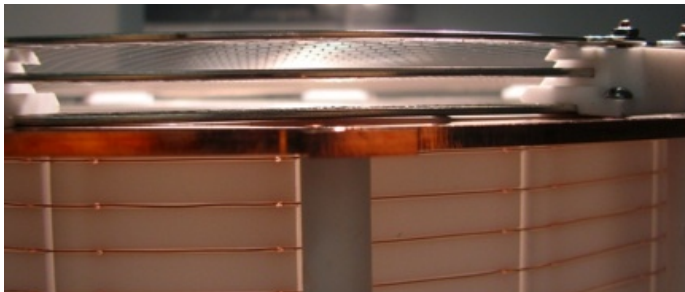


PHASES:

R&D	XENON10	XENON100	XENON1T
Start: 2002	2005-2007	2008-2011	2011-2015
	Proof of concept. Total mass: 14 kg 15 cm drift. Best limit in '07: $\sigma_s \sim 10^{-43} \text{ cm}^2$	Dark Matter run ongoing. Total mass: 170 kg 30 cm drift. 11 days: $\sigma_s \sim 3 \times 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2$ Goal: $\sigma_s \sim 2 \times 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2$	Technical design studies. Total mass: ~2.4 t 90 cm drift. Goal: $\sigma_s \sim 3 \times 10^{-47} \text{ cm}^2$

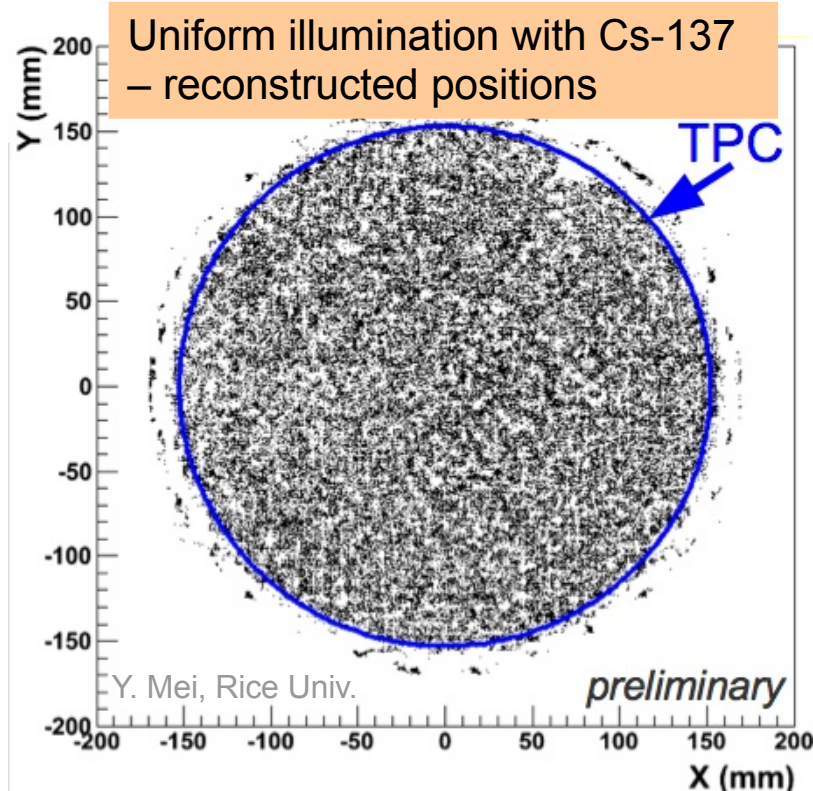
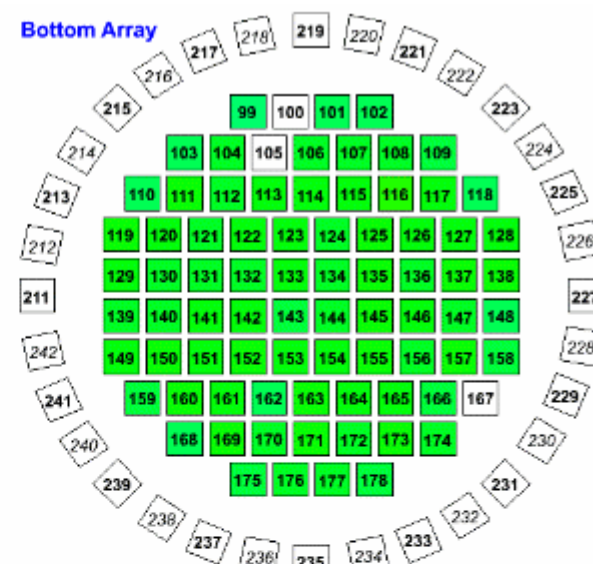
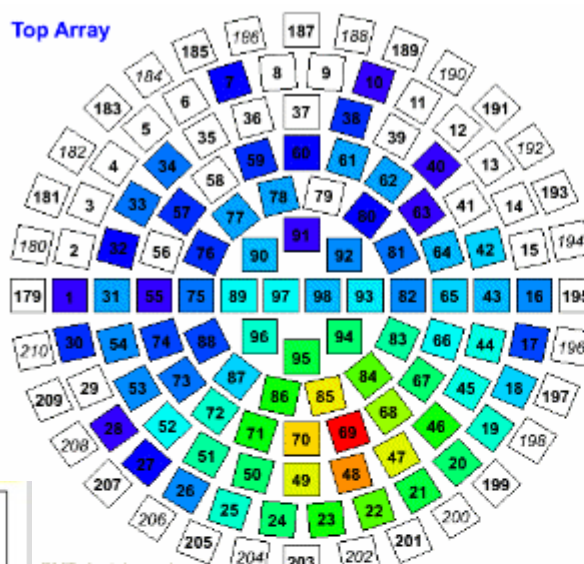
The Current Generation: XENON100 (2008-2011)

- 100 times lower background than XENON10
 - Material screening
 - Active LXe Veto
 - Addition of inner Cu layer to XENON10 shield
 - Cryocooler/Feedthroughs outside shield
 - Low activity stainless steel
 - LXe self-shielding
- ~7 times larger target mass
 - 62 kg in target volume, 165 kg total LXe
- New PMTs with lower activity and high QE
- Improved electronics, grids, ...
- Gamma & neutron calibrations.
- DM search started 1/13/2010.

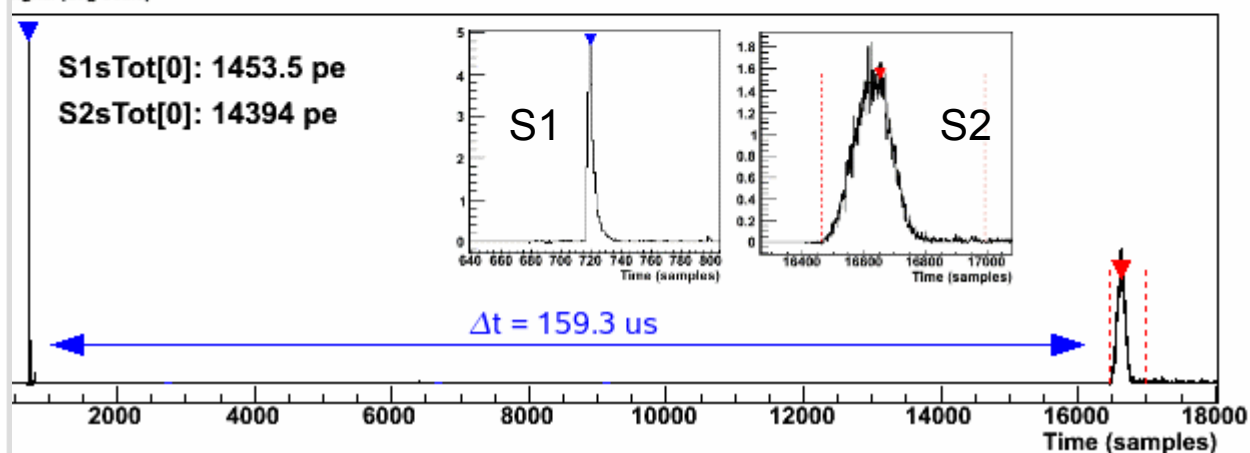


Event Signatures in XENON100

- Position Reconstruction with S2 signal on top PMT array.

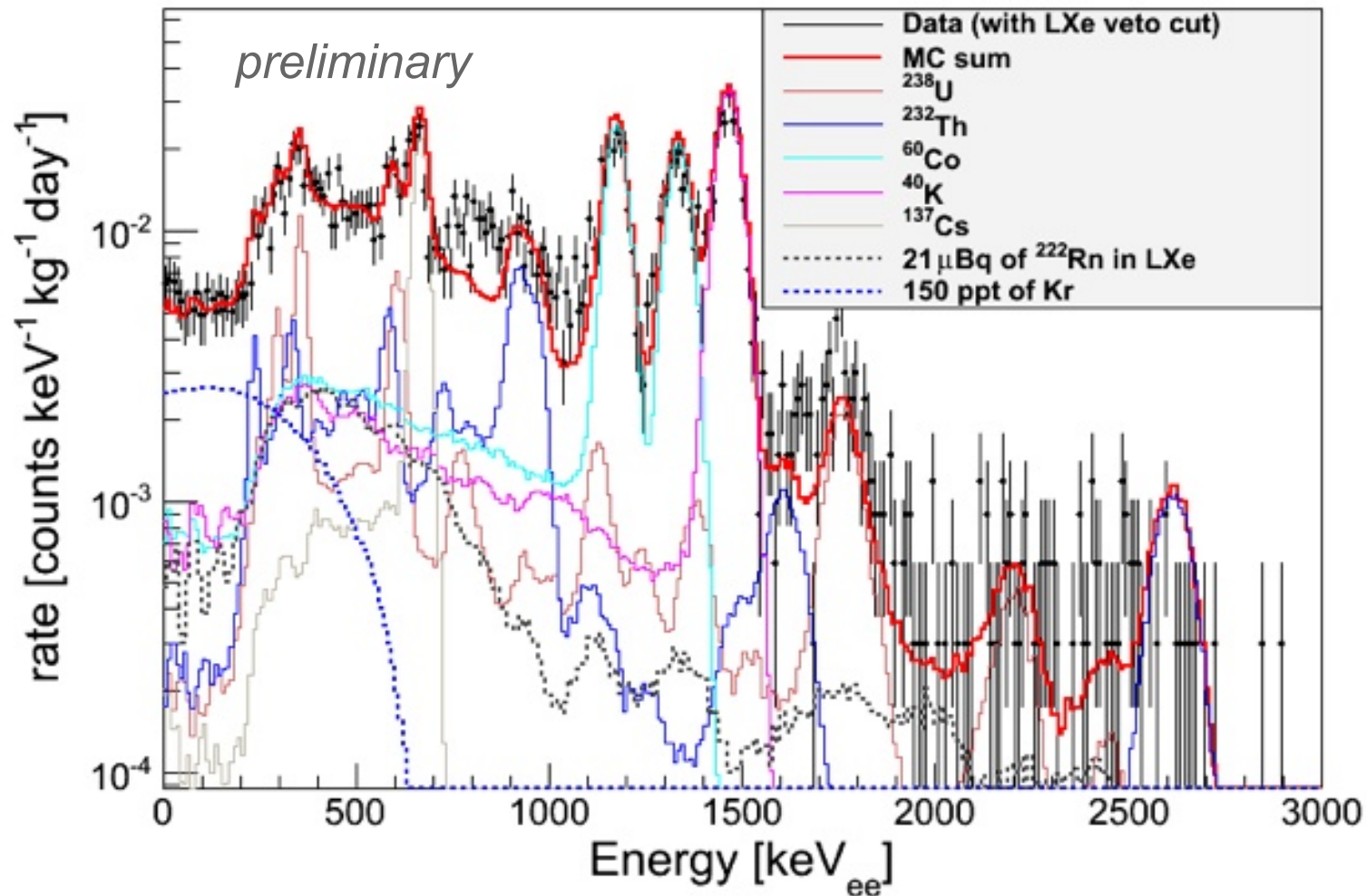


PMTs look inwards
Signal (Log Scale)

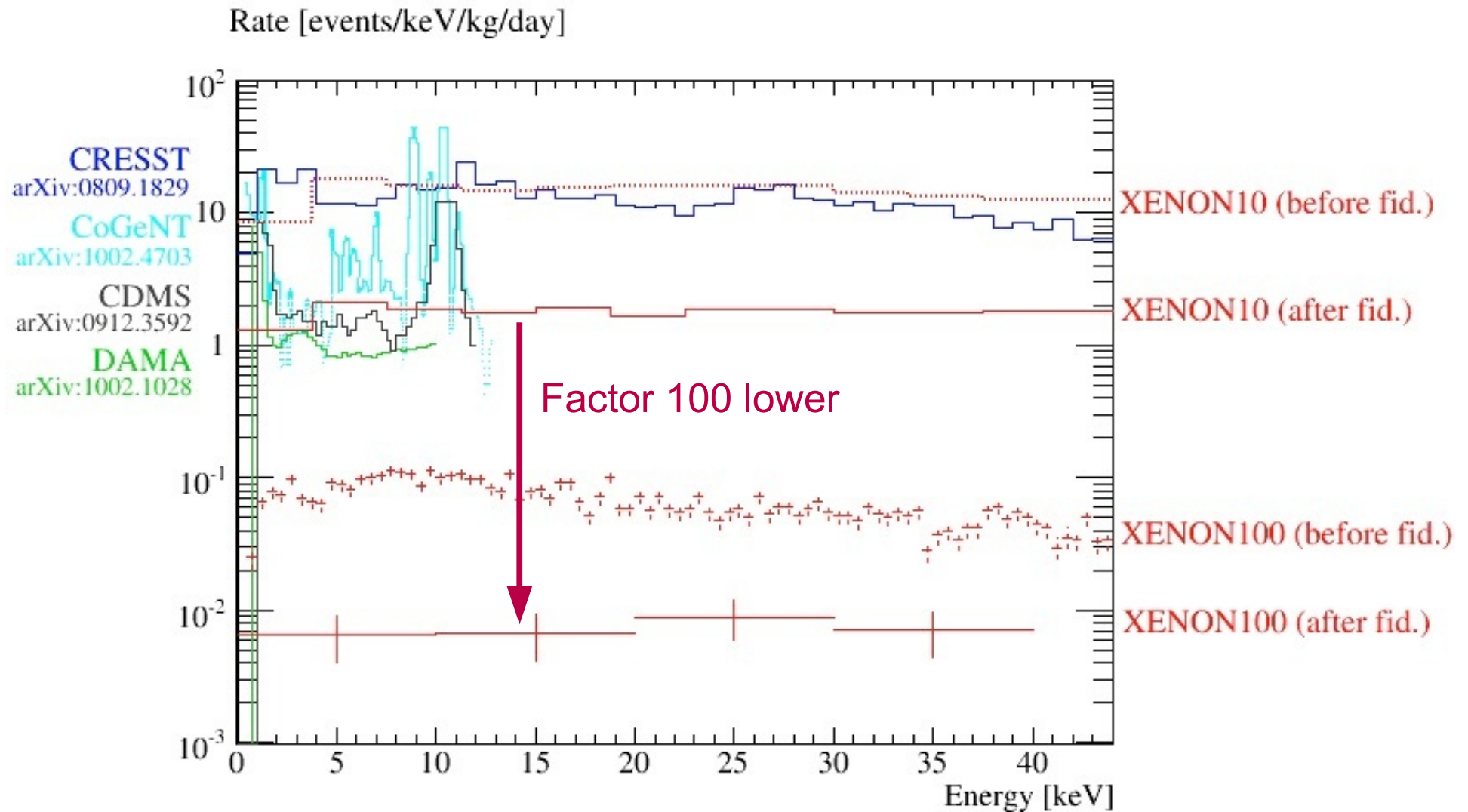


$$\text{Drift length} = 1.84 \text{ mm}/\mu\text{s} \times 159.3 \mu\text{s} = 293 \text{ mm}$$

XENON100: Understanding the Background

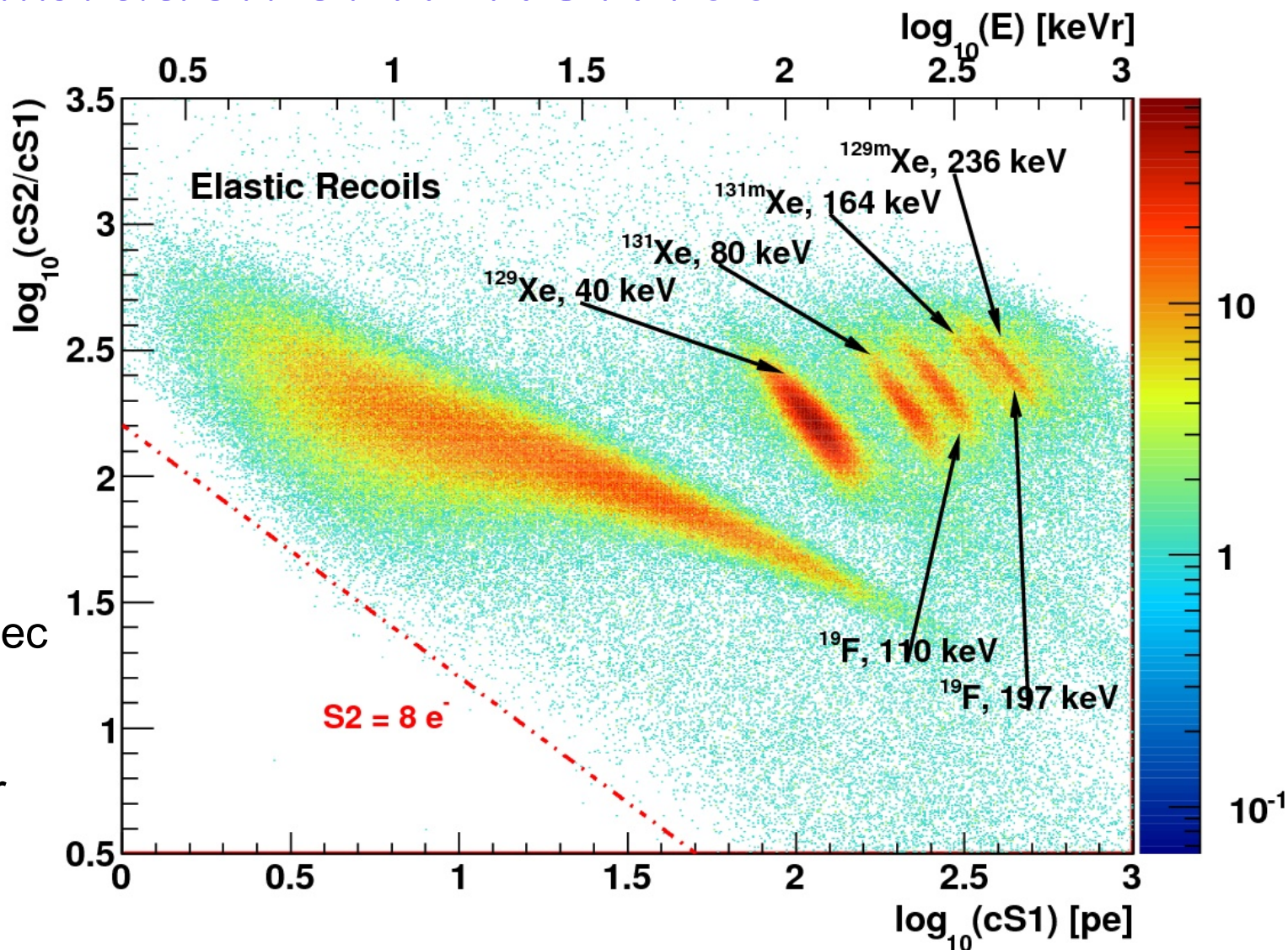


The Lowest Background Dark Matter Detector



Neutron Calibration of XENON100

- 3.7 MBq (220 n/s) AmBe source from Dec 15-18 '09
- 3×10^6 events in 3 d
- 5×10^4 single scatter nuclear recoils <100 keVr.



- High statistics to be able to describe the nuclear recoil band up to higher energies.
- Neutron calibration also gives gammas from inelastic recoils and activation: used to infer the spatial dependence of S1 and S2 signals.

Nuclear Recoil Energy Scale

$$E_n \times L_{\text{eff}}(E_n) = \frac{S1}{L_e} \times \frac{S_e(\vec{\epsilon})}{S_n(\vec{\epsilon})}$$

$$L_{\text{eff}}(E) = \frac{L_n(E)}{L_e(E_0)}$$

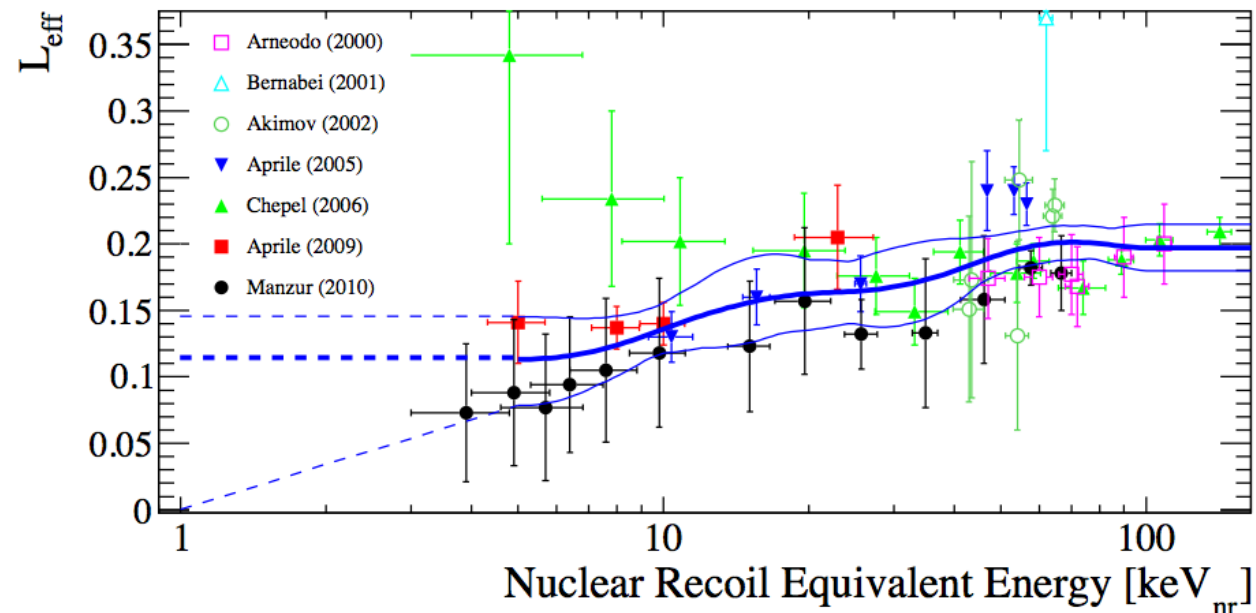
L_{eff} : Relative scintillation efficiency of nuclear recoils at zero field

L_e : Light yield [p.e./keV] for electron recoils at reference energy E_0 (122 keV)

$S1$: primary scintillation signal

S_e : Light quenching due to field for electron recoils at energy E_0

S_n : Light quenching due to field for nuclear recoils

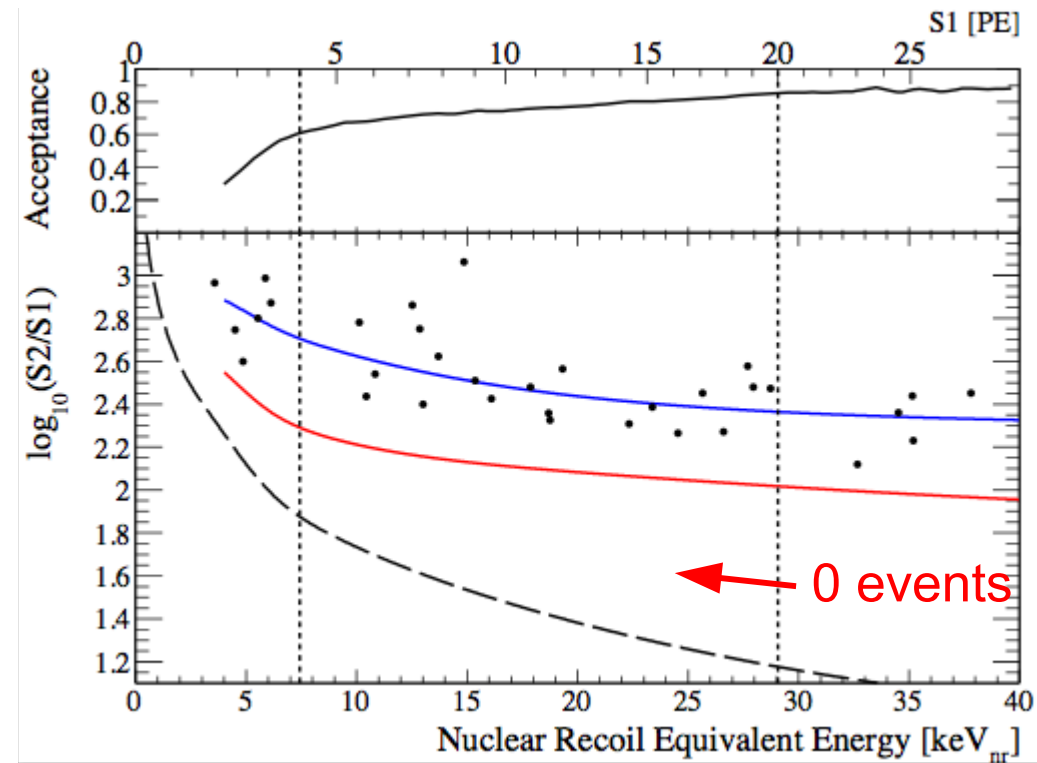
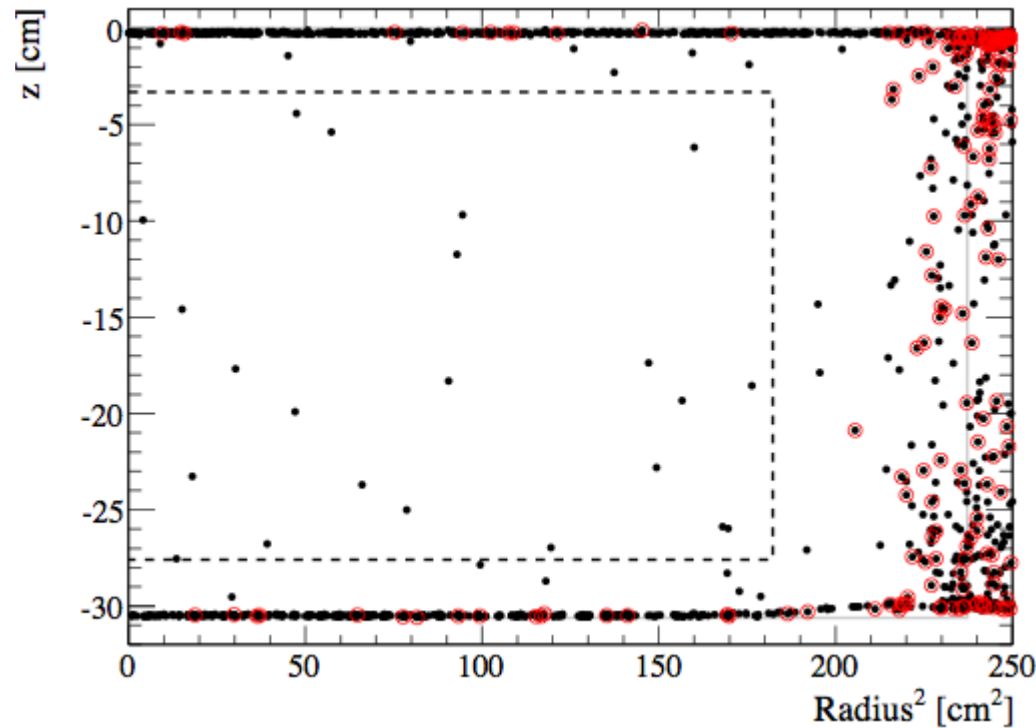


- Fit of available data to relative scintillation efficiency for nuclear recoils.
- Ongoing efforts to measure L_{eff} with higher accuracy.
- XENON100: [4-20] pe \sim [8.7-32.6] keVr

Data:
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 Bernabei 2001
 Akimov 2002
 Aprile 2005
 Aprile 2009
 Sorensen 2009
 Manzur 2010

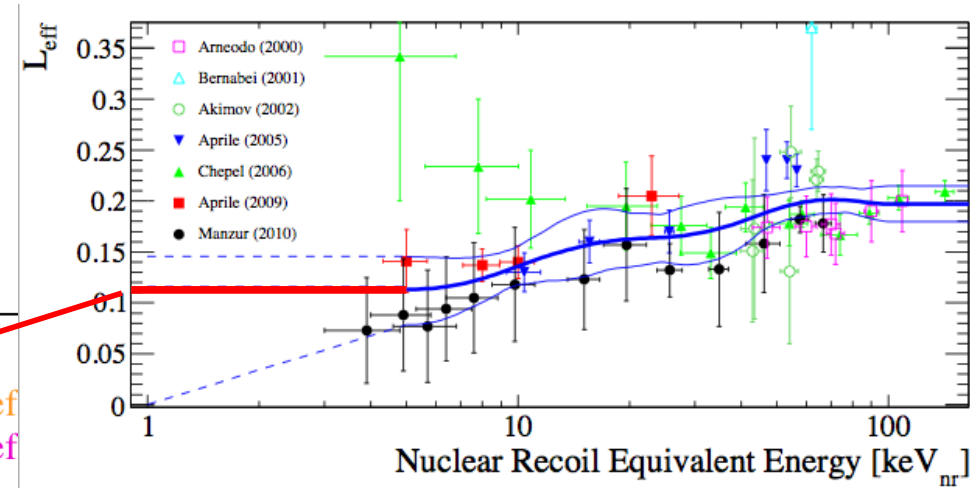
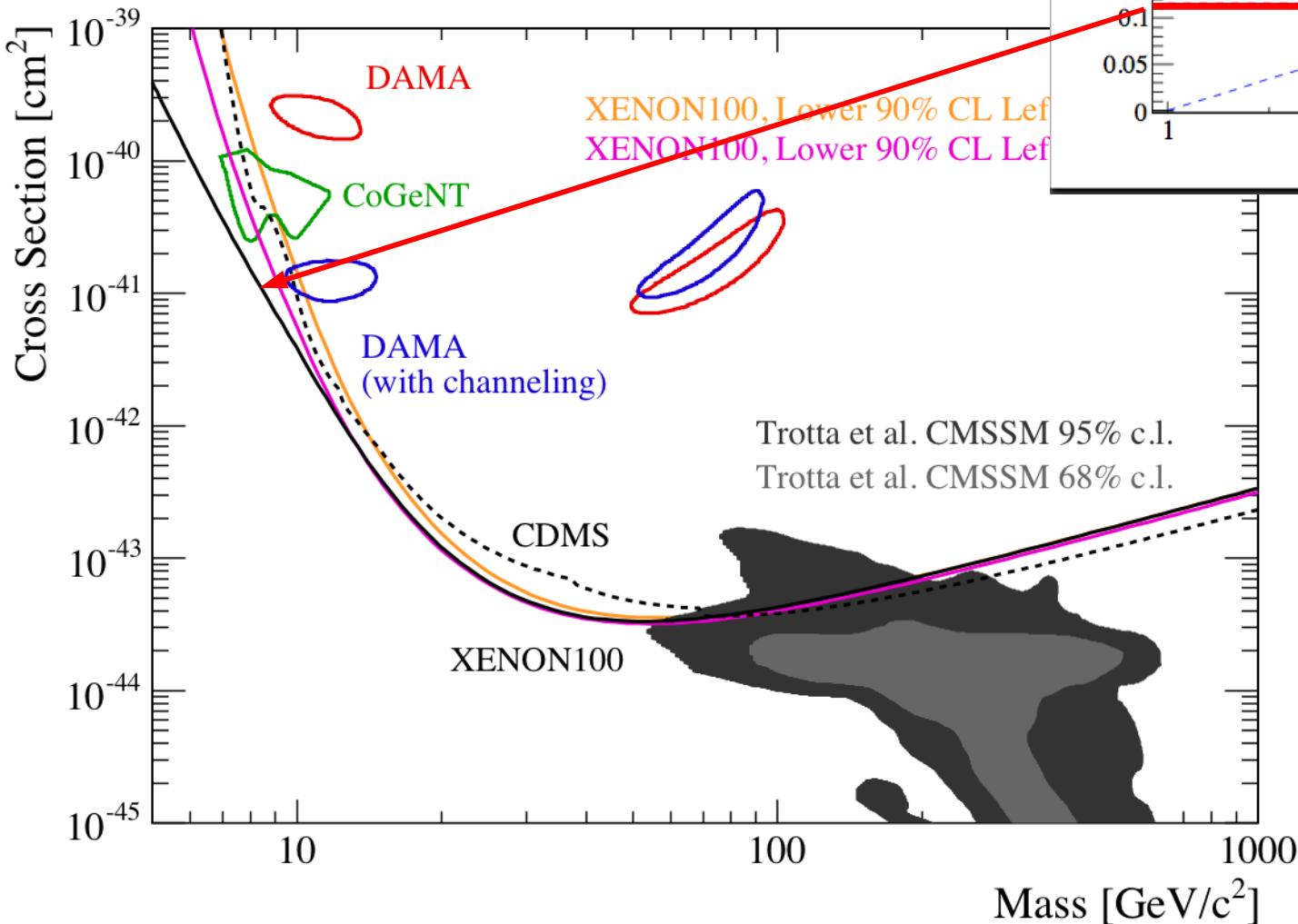
Analysis of “First Light” XENON100 Data

- 11.2 live days of background data from October-November 2009
- Non-blind analysis: but cuts optimized only on neutron and gamma calibration data.
- Only basic event selections are applied.
- 170 kg days exposure **background-free**.



XENON100 Spin-Independent Limit

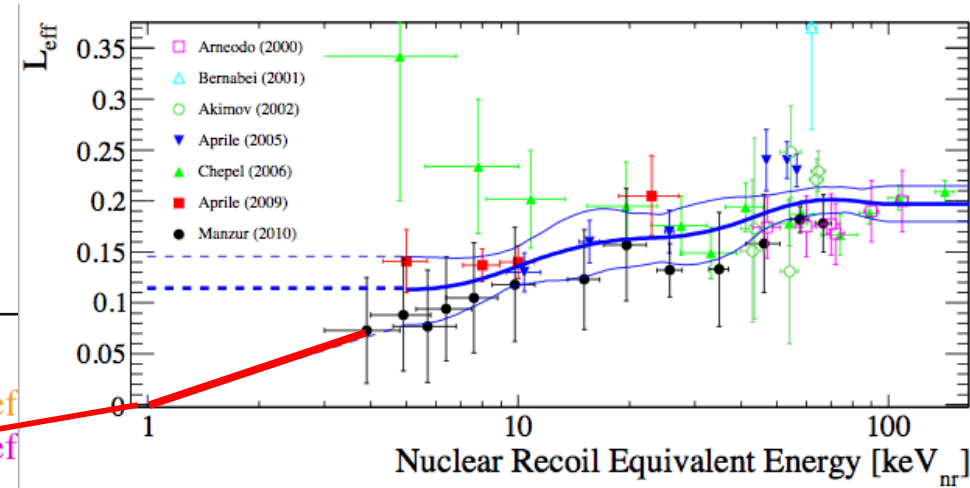
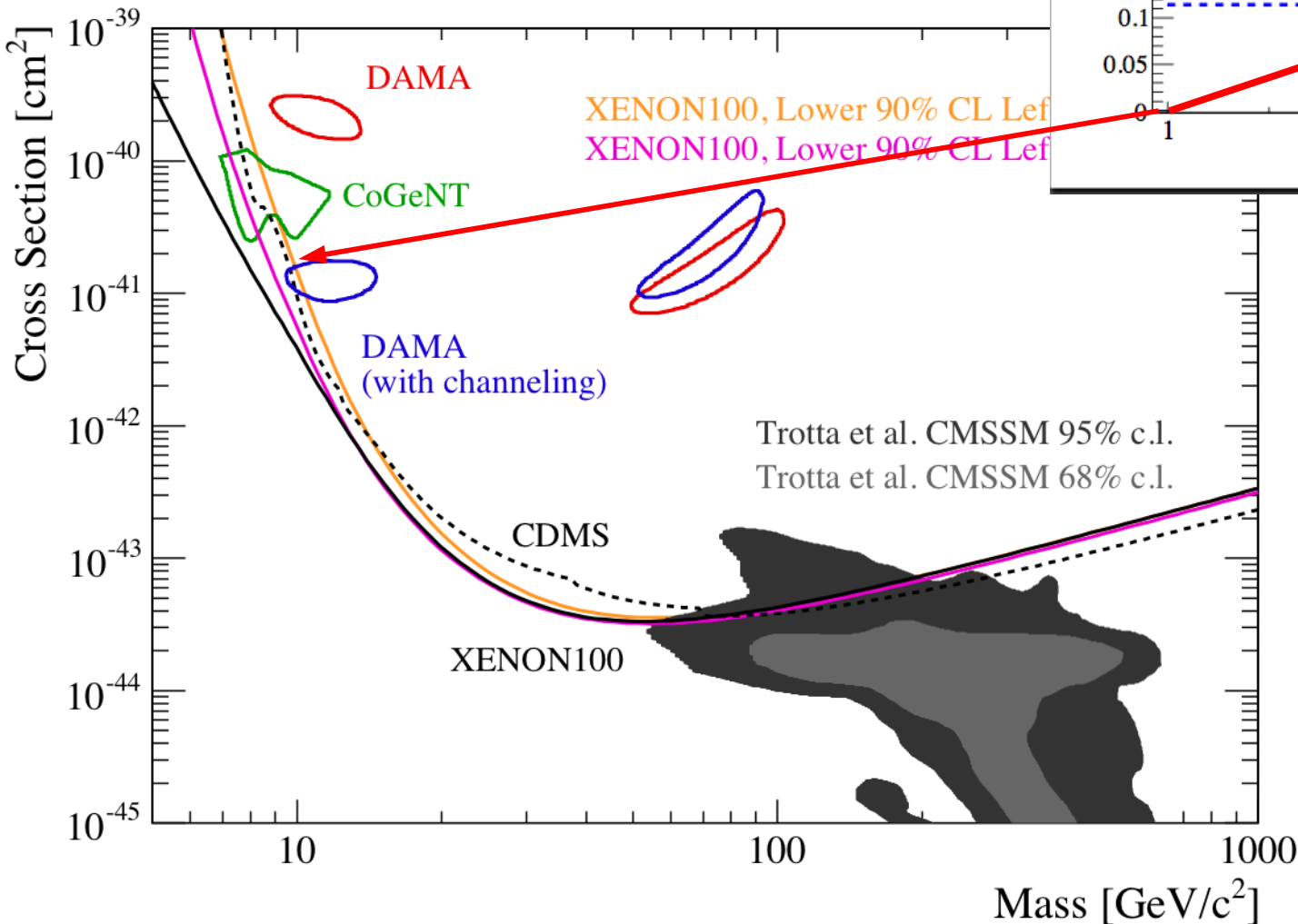
- 11.2 live days.
- 170 kg d spectrum-averaged exposure.
- Best SI upper limit of $3.4 \times 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2$ @ $M_{\text{DM}} = 55 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



L_{eff} : global fit with constant extrapolation.

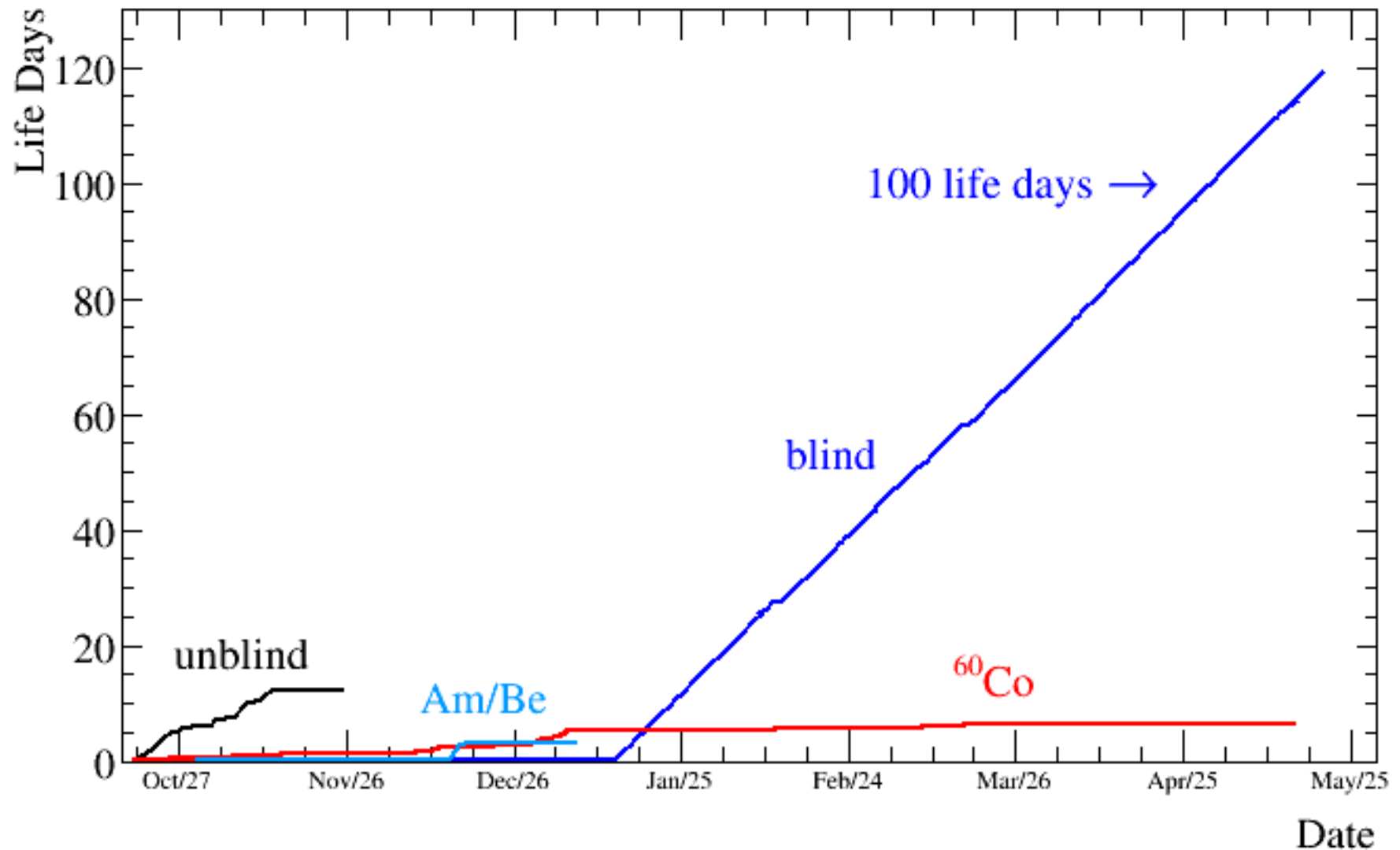
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L_{eff} : lower 90%CL contour of global fit with logarithmic extrapolation.

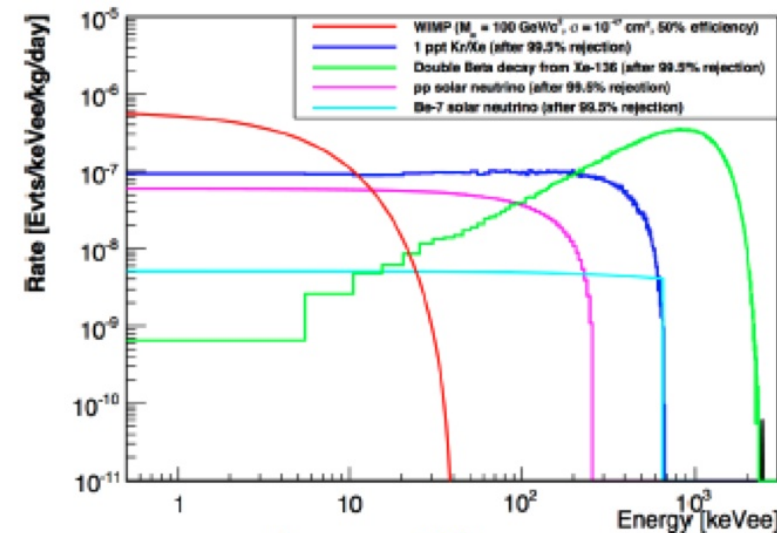
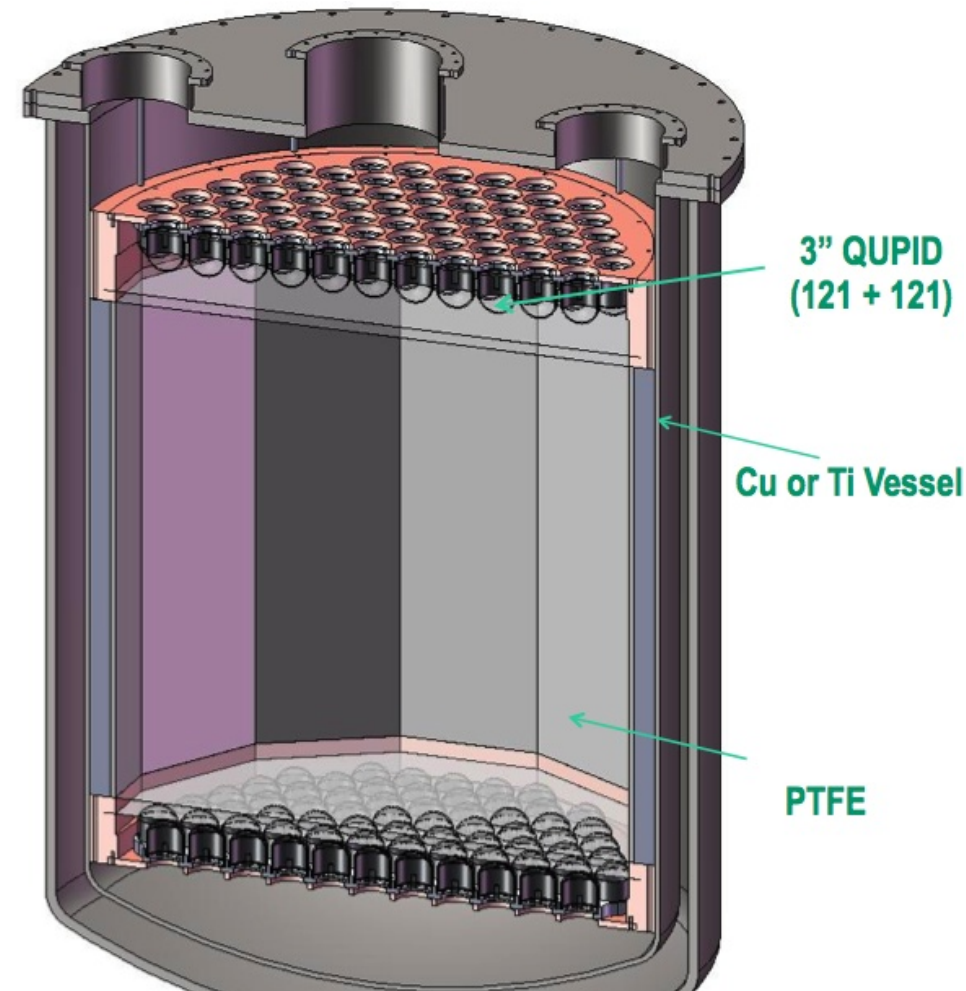
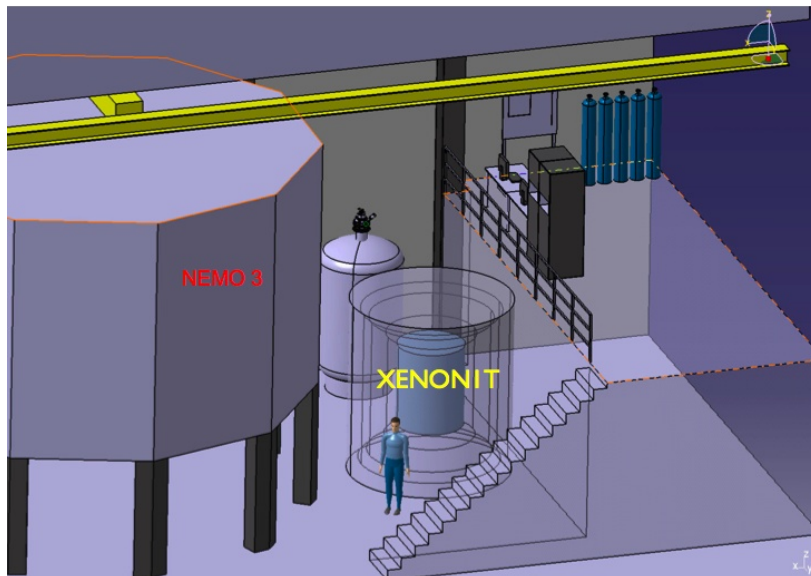
Prospects: XENON100 Blinded Data



- We have already accumulated 11 times more data (~120 live days blinded) than used in this result.

The Future: XENON-1T (2011-2015)

- 1t fiducial mass LXe detector to explore $\sigma \sim 3 \times 10^{-47} \text{ cm}^2$
- Pre-DUSEL “G2” experiment (PASAG)
- Technical proposal in preparation
- Location: LNGS or LSM
- 2 x 121 3” QUPID's
- Capital cost: ~ \$8M, 50% by US
- Collaboration:
XENON100 + Bologna + Nikhef + WIS



Other Noble Liquid DM Detectors

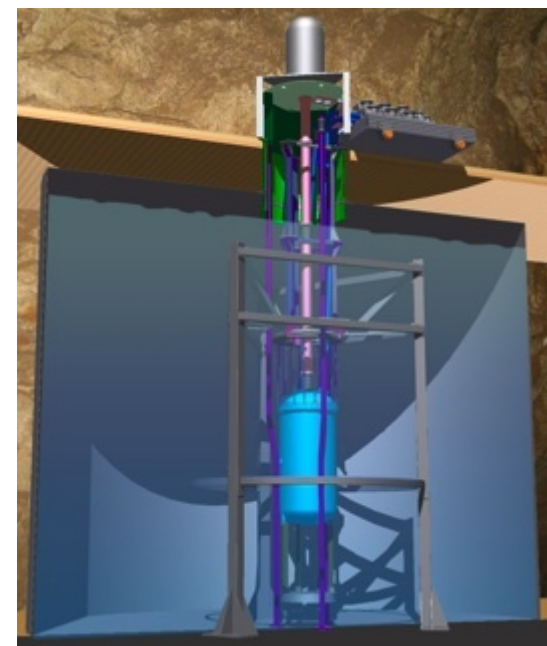
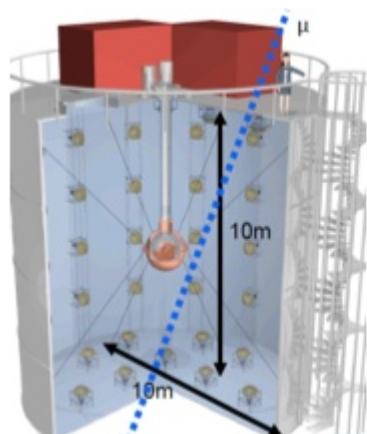
Single Phase

XMASS, Japan
800 kg (100 kg fiducial)
start in 2010?

Double Phase

LUX @ Homestake
350 kg (100 kg)

LXe



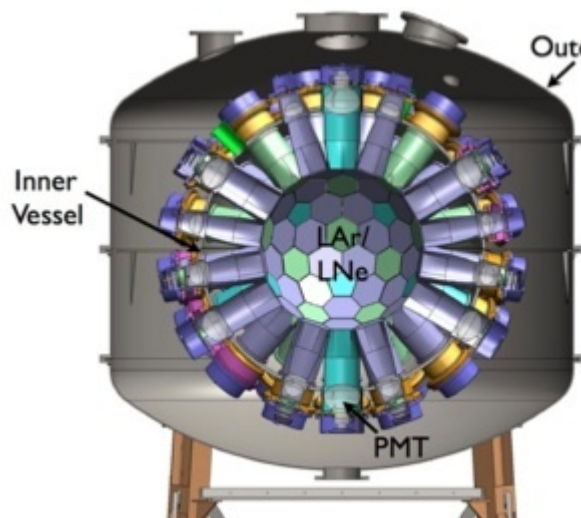
LAr

DEAP & MiniClean @ SnoLab

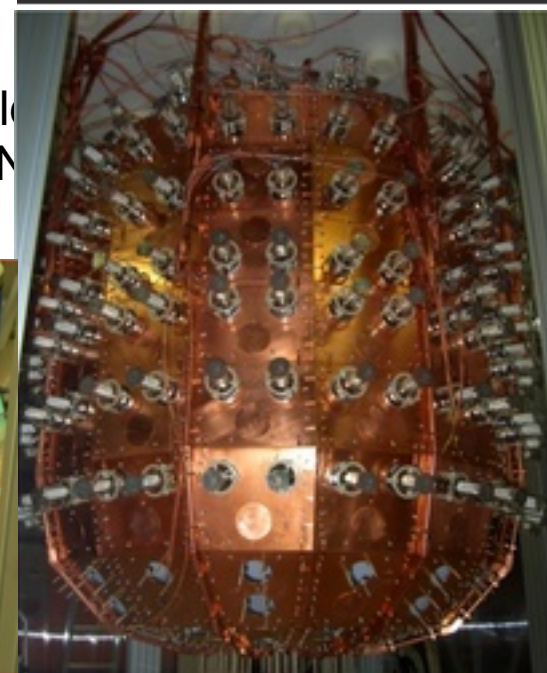
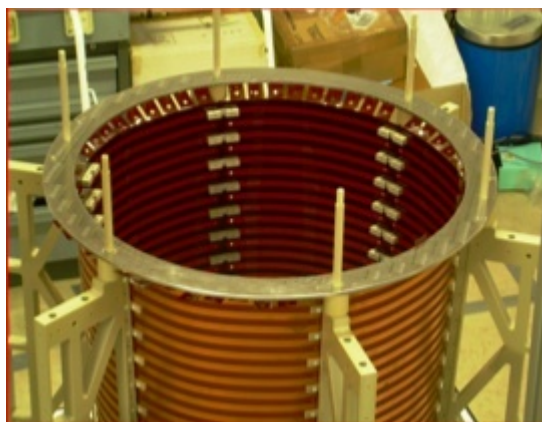
WARP @ LNGS

140 kg LAr in 8t LAr shield

ArDM: 1 ton LAr @ CERN

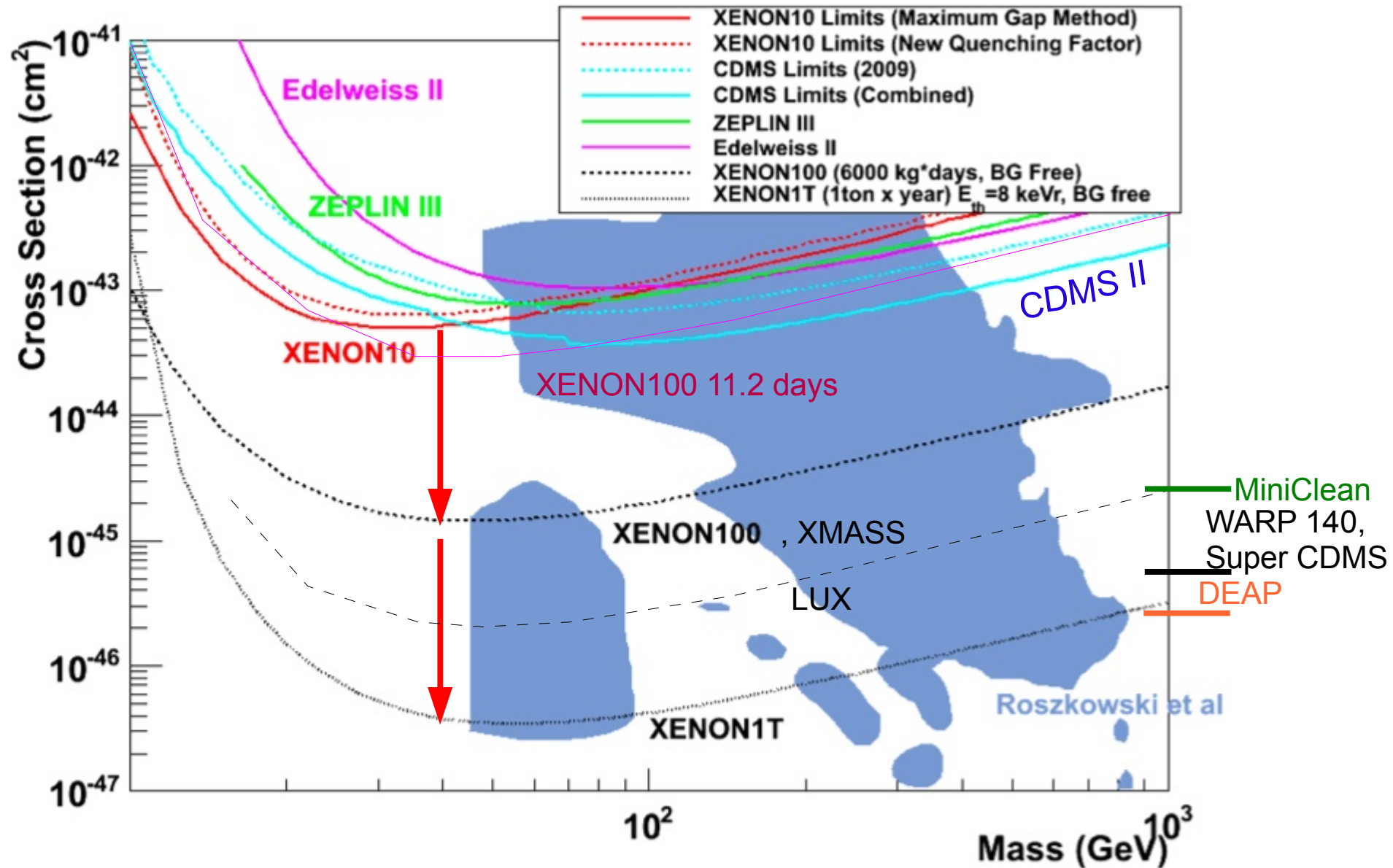


DEAP: 3.6 ton LAr



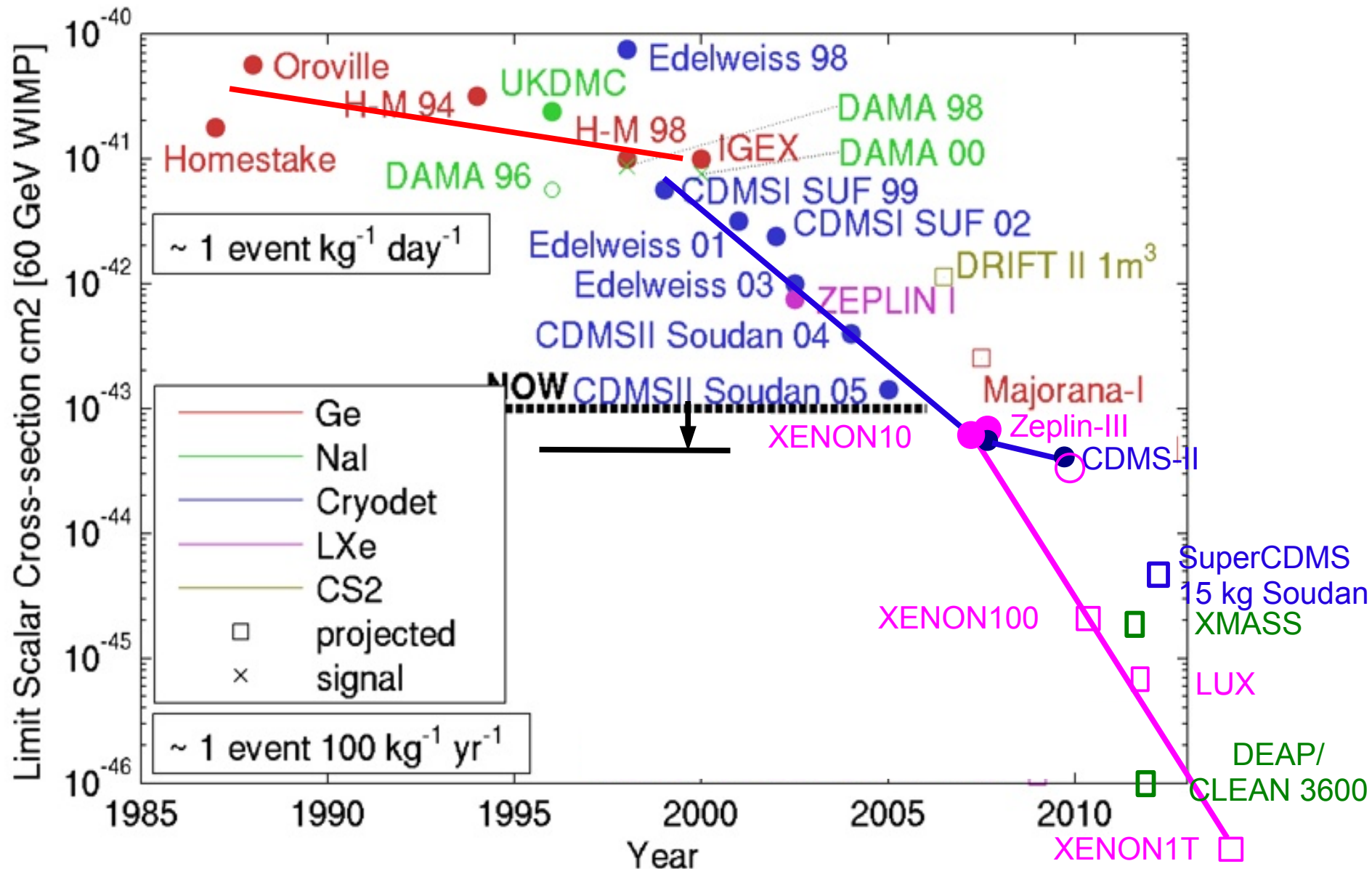
The Future of WIMP Searches

Spin-Independent Sensitivity (indicative)



DM Direct Searches - Progress Over Time

Spin-Independent Interactions



Summary & Outlook

- Dark Matter direct searches have advanced in sensitivity by >2 orders of magnitude in the last decade.
- Several exciting new results in the last year: Dark Matter signals everywhere? Low mass WIMPs? Or are we getting carried away? More data on the way!
- Noble liquid detectors have matured, and will likely set the pace in the coming 5+ years, challenging the previous predominance of the cryogenic Germanium technology.
- New approaches in cryogenic Ge aim at making this technology more scalable. Big step in background reduction with interleaved charge readout.
- Bubble chamber technology: big progress in background control, and interesting prospects if the alpha background can be further reduced.
- XENON100:
 - A first analysis of 11.2 live days proves its exceptionally low background level, and puts its sensitivity on par with CDMS-II.
 - Operating in DM search mode since January.
Will provide order of magnitude improvement in sensitivity later this year.
 - Challenge to low mass WIMP interpretation, but so far large systematic uncertainties below $\sim 10 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ due to uncertainty in energy scale.
- *Stay tuned for more results from direct Dark Matter searches!*

Thank you

BACKUP SLIDES

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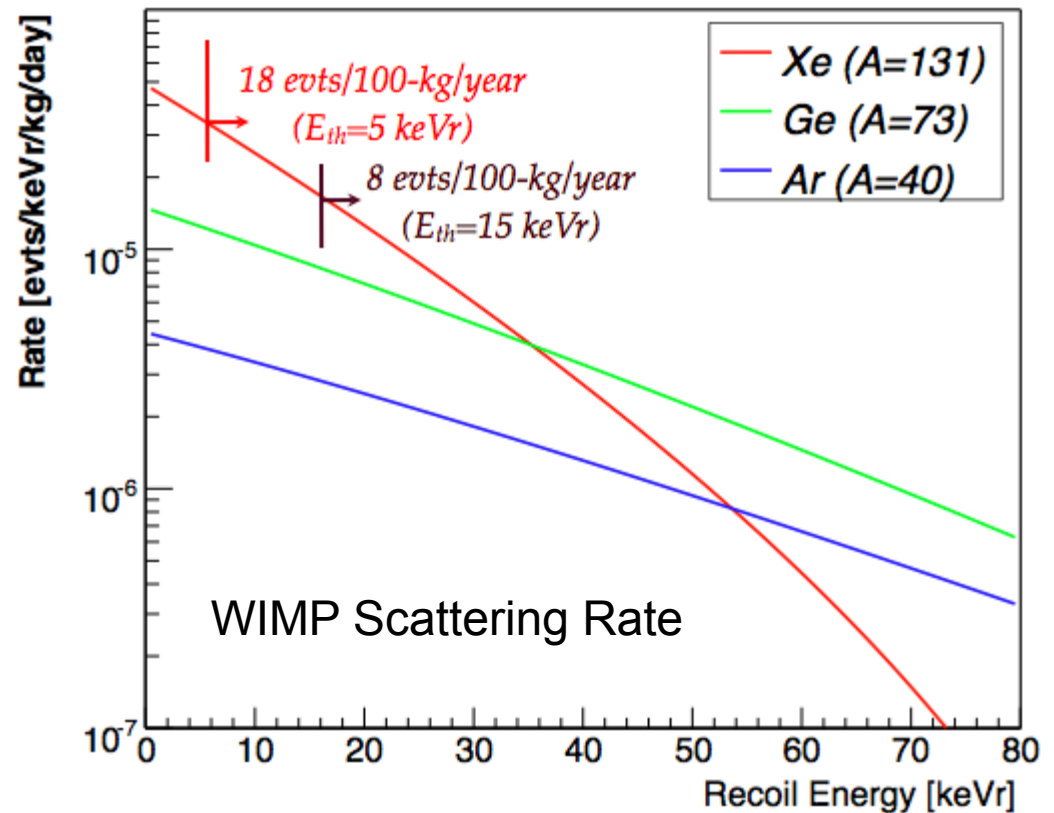
Liquid Xenon for Dark Matter Search

- Large atomic number $A \sim 131$ best for SI interactions ($\sigma \sim A^2$).
Need low threshold.
- $\sim 50\%$ odd isotopes: SD interactions
If DM detected: probe physics with the same detector using isotopically enriched media.
- No long-lived isotopes.
Proven Kr-85 reduction to ppt level.
- High Z (54) and density:
compact & self-shielding
- Scalability to large mass for $\sigma \sim 10^{-47} \text{ cm}^2 \sim 1 \text{ evt/ton/yr}$.
- “Easy” cryogenics (-100°C).
- Efficient and fast scintillator.
- Background discrimination in TPC.
 - Ionization/Scintillation
 - 3D imaging of TPC

Periodic Table of the Elements

1 H	2 He																	18 Ar	19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr	37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe	55 Cs	56 Ba	57 La	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn
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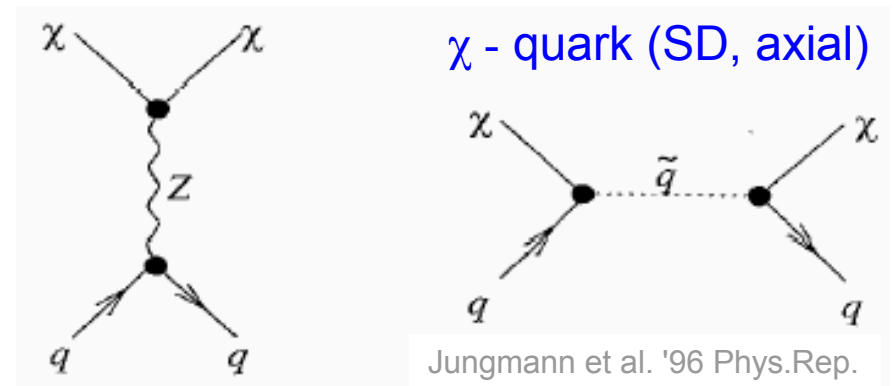
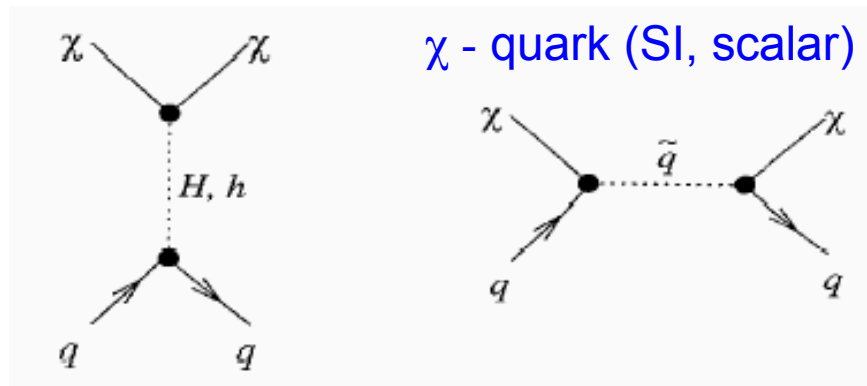
■ hydrogen ■ poor metals
■ alkali metals ■ nonmetals
■ alkali earth metals ■ noble gases
■ transition metals ■ rare earth metals



WIMP Scattering Cross Sections

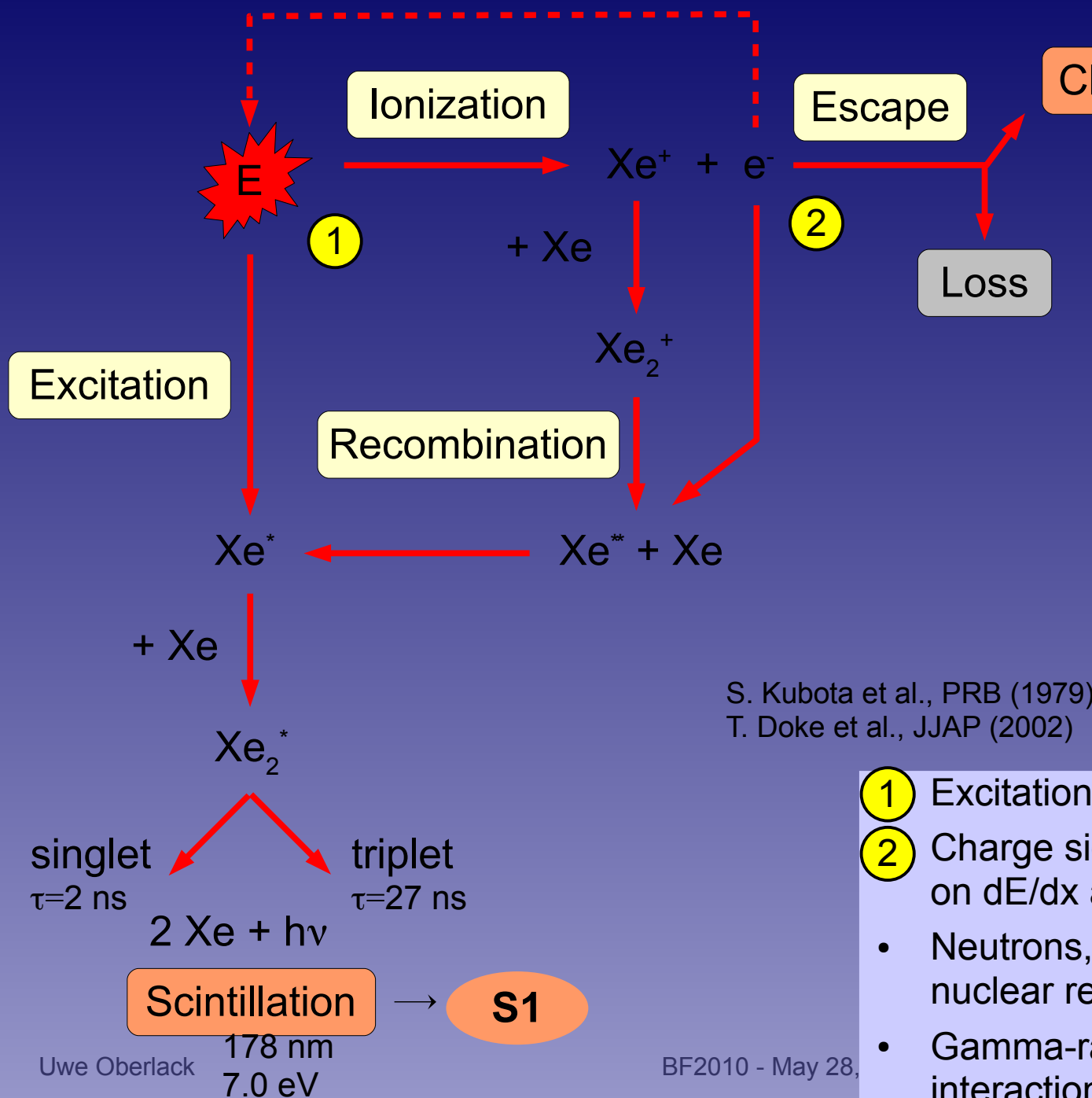
Example: SUSY (but direct searches are sensitive to other models as well)

- Compute cross sections χ – quark and χ – gluon with various SUSY models. Large parameter space, constrained by accelerator and direct search experiments, and cosmology.
 - ▶ **spin-independent**: coupling to mass of nucleus. Coherence $\Rightarrow \sigma \propto A^2$
 - ▶ **spin-dependent**: coupling of spins of nucleus and neutralino interaction with paired nucleons in the same energy state cancel \Rightarrow no A^2 enhancement

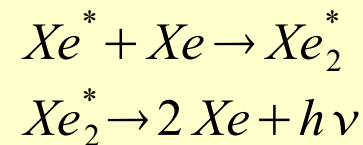


- Distribution of nucleons within nucleus: nuclear form factor.
 - ▶ SI: Large nuclei gain $\sim A^2$ at small momentum transfer, but lose at higher momentum transfer due to coherence loss.

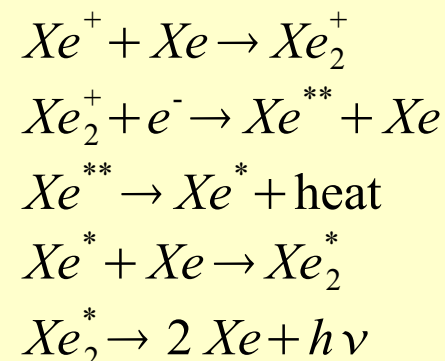
Ionization and Scintillation in LXe



Excitation Scintillation:



Recombination Scintillation:



S. Kubota et al., PRB (1979)
T. Doke et al., JJAP (2002)

- ① Excitation / Ionization depends on dE/dx .
- ② Charge signal / Recombination depends on dE/dx and electric field.
 - Neutrons, WIMPs:
nuclear recoil $O(10 \text{ keV})$, dE/dx high.
 - Gamma-rays, betas:
interactions with electrons, dE/dx low.

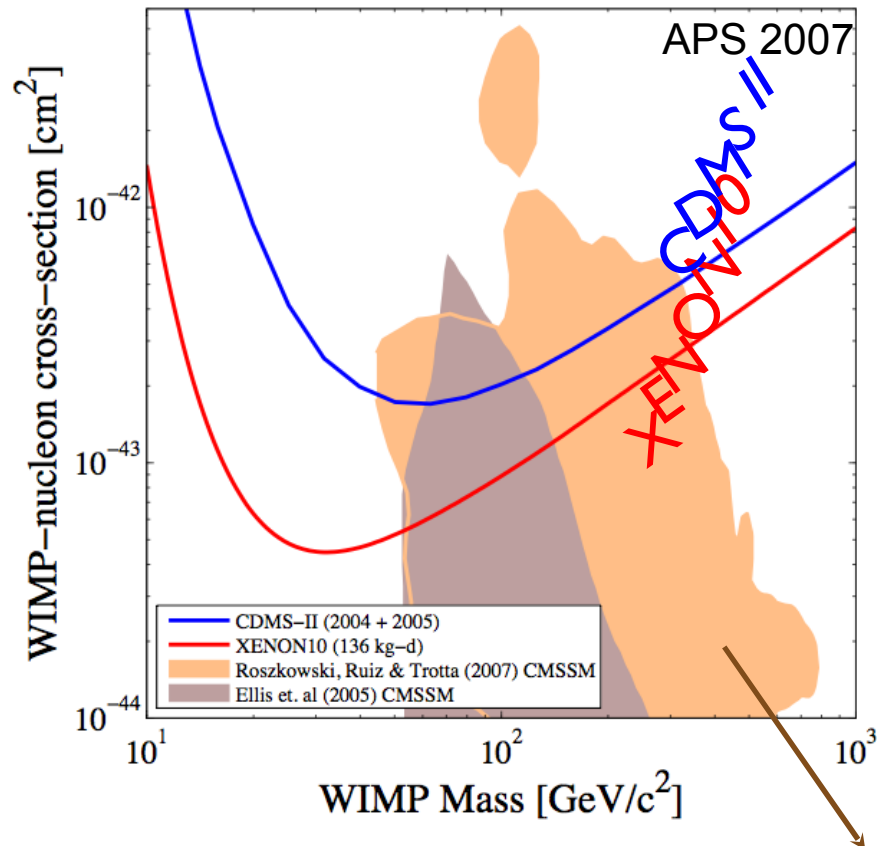
The Previous Generation: XENON10

(2005-2007)

World Leading Upper Limits

Spin-independent

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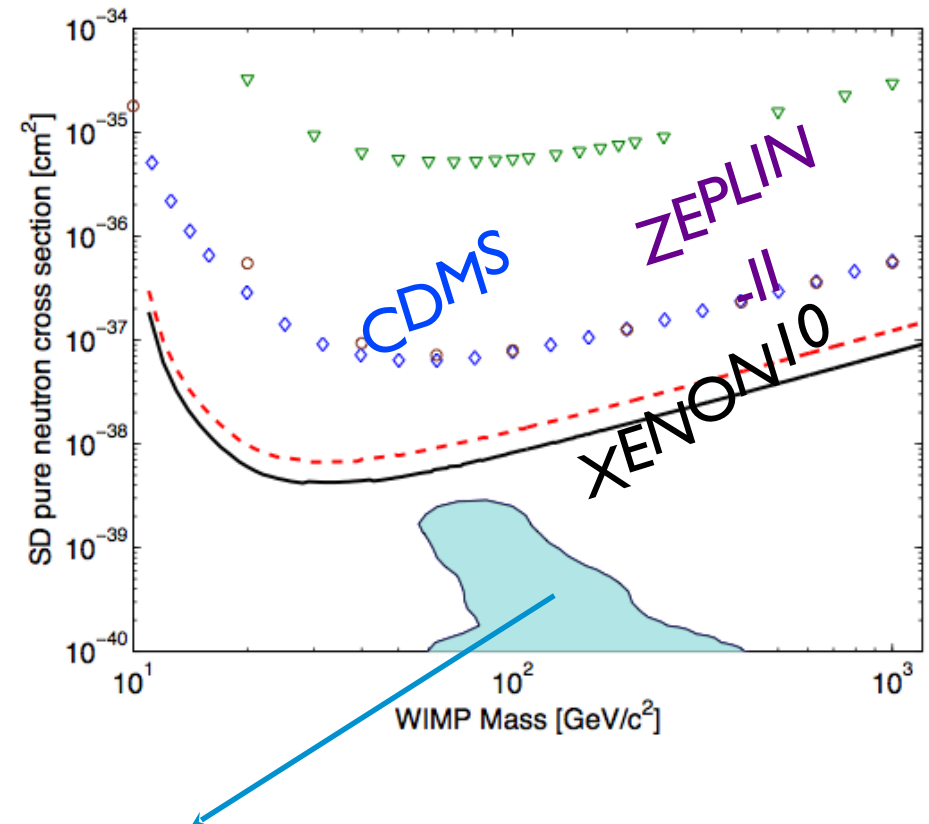


$8.8 \times 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2$ at 100 GeV
 $4.5 \times 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2$ at 30 GeV
 (no background subtraction)

Constrained Minimal
 Supersymmetric
 Model

Spin-dependent

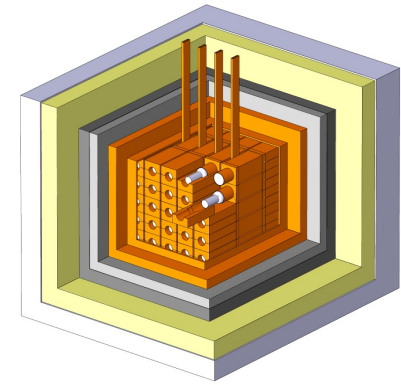
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$6 \times 10^{-39} \text{ cm}^2$ at 30 GeV
 (no background subtraction)

Testing DAMA/LIBRA

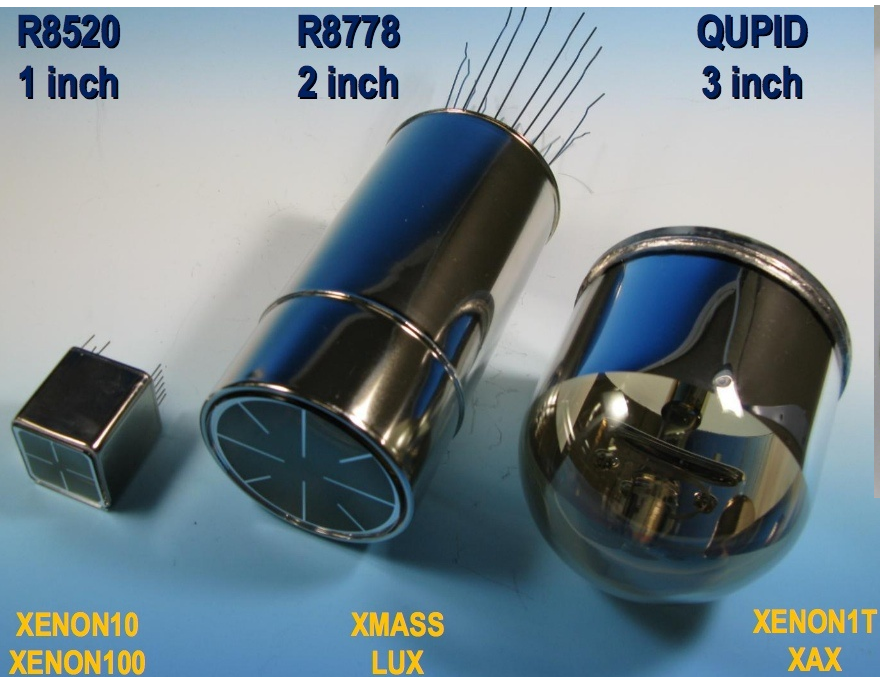
Annual Modulation with XENON100



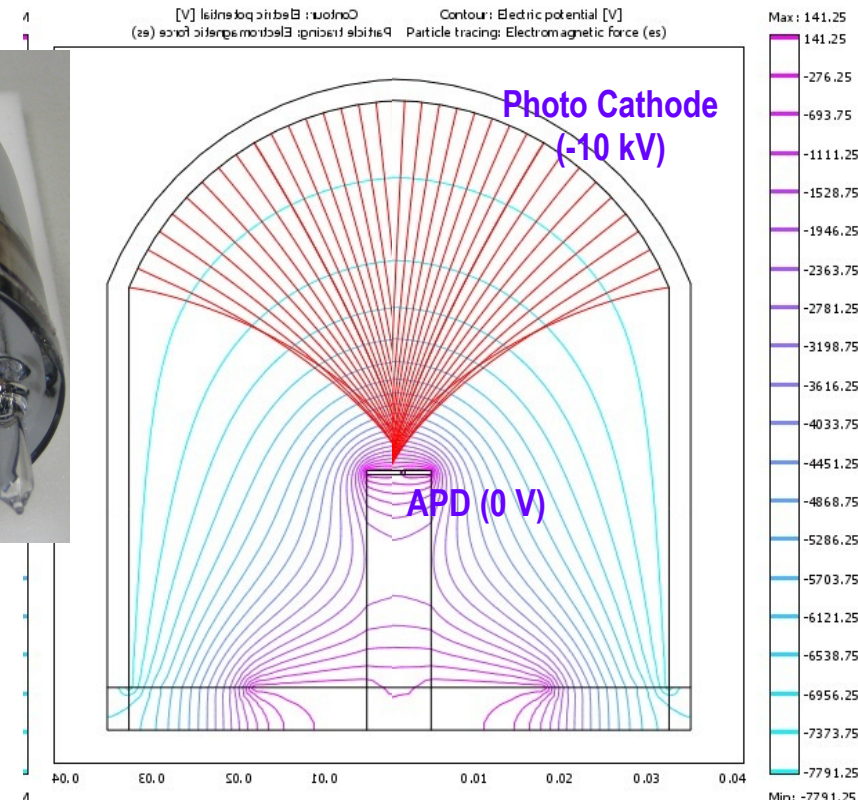
- Xe is an excellent scintillator, similar to NaI. Energy thresholds are similar.
- Xe and I are next neighbours in the periodic table.
- Liquid Xe is homogeneous, and extremely radiopure.
- XENON100 records all triggered events, with data selections only in software.
 - Study both nuclear recoils **and** interactions with electrons, and **know** what you are looking at!
- Unlike DAMA/LIBRA, XENON100 has background reduction even **without** nuclear recoil suppression, based on 3D position reconstruction and self-shielding.
- Chose a fiducial volume to look for rare events with a background rate two orders of magnitude lower than DAMA/LIBRA.
 - Annual modulation signal DAMA/LIBRA 2-4 keV: **~0.02 events / d / kg / keV**
 - Background in DAMA/LIBRA: **~ 1 events / d / kg / keV** , signal/bgd ~ 0.02
 - Background in XENON100: **~0.01 events / d / kg / keV** , signal/bgd ~ 2 expected
- **With 1 year of data, XENON100 will be more sensitive than DAMA/LIBRA to annual modulation!**
 - 6000 kg d exposure
 - if Xe is similar to NaI in response to DM particles

$$\text{sensitivity} \propto \sqrt{\frac{M t}{b}}$$

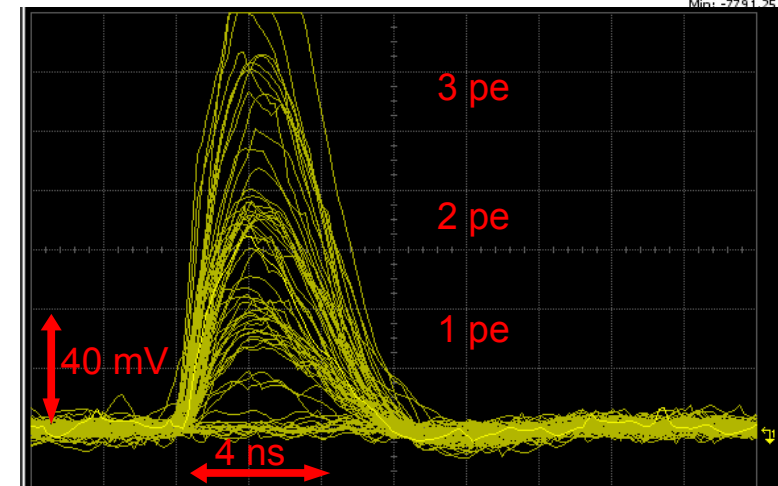
New Photosensor for XENON1T: 3" QUPID



K. Arisaka & H. Wang (UCLA)



- > Ten-fold reduction in radioactivity per unit area. ($< 0.02 \text{ mBq/cm}^2$)
- Single photo-electron resolution.
- Single HV supply for many channels.
- Large dynamic range.



The Future of WIMP Searches with XENON

Spin-Dependent Sensitivity

